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Decisions to be made at Tuesday, Sept. 9 special election

Roadside trash service proposal faces Beaver Creek Township voters

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

"Shall the constitutional limitation upon the total amount of taxes which may be levied on all taxable real and personal property in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, Michigan, be increased by one (1) mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value) of the taxable value of such property to raise funds for the roadside collection and disposal of household garbage and refuse throughout the township for the period of 1998-2002? The monies generated in the first fiscal year by the one mill levied would be fifty-nine thousand two hundred (\$59,200.00) dollars."

That is the way the Beaver Creek Township proposal for a millage for roadside collection and disposal of household garbage and refuse reads.

The registered voters in Beaver Creek Township will be answering the roadside collection and disposal question on Tuesday, Sept. 9. The polls for this special election will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The proposal on the special election ballot will give Beaver Creek Township residents the opportunity to decide if the township should have trash removal service at the end of township driveways.

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Trustees approved the motion to put the ballot wording on the ballot at their July 14 board meeting. According to township officials, the proposed millage is the result of numerous requests for trash removal service from taxpayers in the township.

If approved by township voters, the goal is to have the new service operational by January 1998. Beaver Creek Township currently has a transfer site on Merrio Road, and that site would be closed as soon as the new roadside service was operating. The township would retain the transfer site and determine a new future use for the location.

The exact operation of the proposed trash removal service can not be

determined until the millage decision is made. Beaver Creek Township Supervisor Lee Riley pointed out the service which will likely be included in the service.

It is likely that the township would

have a five bag limit per week, Riley said. Officials also anticipate that service users would also be allowed to place one large article out for removal each month. Large items would include such items as furniture and appliances without freon.

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

"The Citizens for the Crawford County Sportsplex" have gotten the proposed recreation/sports complex idea to the special election stage, and now it is up to the voters of Crawford

County.

Crawford County residents will be heading to the polls on Tuesday, Sept. 9 for the county-wide special election. The polls will open at 7 a.m. and will close at 8 p.m.

The ballot will contain two proposals for the facility. The ballot requests a \$6 million bond for construction and set up of the Crawford County Sportsplex. The second proposal is a millage of .45 mills over 10 years for operation of the facility. If approved by voters, the recreation complex would be built on a county owned portion of land at the Crawford County Fairgrounds at the corner of Old-27 and M-93.

Proposal A (the recreation/sports complex bond proposition) will read, "Shall the County of Crawford, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed \$6,000,000 and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds for the purpose of providing funds to pay the cost of acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping a recreation/sports complex, including ice arena, swimming pool, exercise track, conference room and gymnasium facilities and related appurtenances, attachments and facilities, and improving the site thereof?"

Proposal B (the recreation/sports complex operating millage proposition) will read, "Shall the limitation on the total amount of general ad valorem taxes imposed upon real and tangible personal property for all purposes in any one year within the County of Crawford, Michigan, be increased by .45 mills (which is equal to \$.45 per \$1,000 of taxable value of such property) for a period of 10 years, 1997-2006, inclusive for the purpose of providing funds to operate and maintain the County's recreation/sports complex? The amount of revenue the County of Crawford will collect if that millage is approved and levied by the County in the first year of levy is estimated to be \$155,274."

If approved, the sportsplex facility will feature five major items which are to be included in the complex. The five items are: a regulation-size ice rink, a swimming pool and zero-clearance wading pool, a walking track, a 200-seat conference room and an all-purpose gymnasium with a rubberized floor so a wide range of activities, including basketball and volleyball, can be played.

"The Citizens for the Crawford County Sportsplex" continued to push for and market the proposed facility

leading up to this special election. The members were able to get the issue on the special election ballot when the Crawford County commissioners approved a resolution to place the wording on the ballot.

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Chairman of "The Citizens for the Crawford County Sportsplex"

County with a Sportsplex that offers something for everyone," said Ken Eldridge, chairman of the sportsplex committee. "It is a sincere opportunity for residents to provide a facility for the community 12 months a year."

The sportsplex committee members have also voiced their wishes to be a part of the board of directors of the sportsplex, if the facility is approved to be constructed.

They provided a letter to the commissioners asking that they take part in the operation of the facility. The commissioners gave consensus to recognize that these members want to be on the board and will look at that possibility if approved. The Otsego County Sportsplex Board of Directors was established in a similar matter.

The sportsplex committee in Crawford County planned to hold a town meeting at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School on Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 7 p.m. The committee members planned to make a presentation and answer questions.

County government votes to reinvent itself

A county administrator's position may be created in the future

by Shirley D. Schmoock
Special Writer

In a bold move, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners chose a path not often traveled by governmental bodies — change from within. The move will lay the initial groundwork for hiring a county administrator.

The vote to restructure how the county does business came at a regular board meeting on Aug. 26. The unanimous decision may be the key to new beginnings; a starting point from which to launch the county into the future, as it was coupled with a Mission Statement expected to read in part — working together as a unified body.

The statement is in reference to meeting a variety of recommendations set out by Anderson, Tackman & Co., Certified Public Accountants, of

Kincheloe, Mich. A document labeled "Priority Task List" resulted from a recent audit done by the Anderson Tackman firm, and Marvin Anderson was on hand to explain how difficult the scope of accomplishing the items on this list would be.

"Realistic goals need to be set. If you had a dozen new people to put on this list full time, it might take you a few months," Anderson said. "But that's probably impossible right now. We have identified the problems and have determined that approximately 3,000 hours are needed to address the issues."

"A closer goal would be one-and-one-fifth years, maybe two," Anderson said. "Joe (Wakeley) can't do it all. Other departments have to take responsibility too. With the staff you

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have, much of this work has been either neglected or not done at all."

"I've reviewed Anderson Tackman's 'Priority List' and it seems accurate," Crawford County Treasurer Joe Wakeley said. "For many years our department heads have been putting out fires. They're usually doing so many tasks, some outside the scope of their own responsibilities, that meeting the statutory requirements was not always possible. We've a lot of catching up to do."

The county's re-bid for an auditor came after the 1996 audit was finally complete. For years, the county has found itself in the reactionary mode, and responding to problems after they occurred became the rule, not the exception. A mandatory review of staff levels and an identification of personnel is at the top of the "Priority Task List". This analytical exercise is expected to alleviate over or under

usage of county employees, and to detect trouble spots and grey areas.

In as much as these county courthouse employees are members of AFSCME (American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees), their work duties must be in accordance with their particular classification. Due to this common circumstance, an accurate matching of those duties to the personnel available will be particularly helpful to both elected and appointed department heads. Additional education and training may be necessary in some cases, but the employees are expected to benefit from this enhanced training.

County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore said, "With this Mission Statement before us and our goals clearly defined, I feel Crawford County is now on the right track and may move forward to streamline our systems. The remodeling of the courthouse has put a big strain on everyone, but now that our working environment has been improved, I have the faith that we can all come together and get this job done."

The Board of Commissioners on Aug. 26 also voted to add another person who will begin to update the General Ledger, working for the treasurer and clerk. This area of responsibility includes a reconciliation for bank, account and inter-fund transactions. These functions are expected to consume approximately 300 hours.

"We have to show a willingness to pursue this task list," said Bruce Bretzke, chairman of the county board. "I know that we, as elected officials, are in agreement, but we will need the

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Local lottery office closes its doors for good on Sept. 2

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

A proposal to close the regional lottery office in Grayling was made a few months ago, but as of Sept. 2 it is official.

State of Michigan Lottery officials planned to have the building closed for business on the day after Labor Day. According to officials, the closing was made to better serve lottery customers and to decrease lottery costs.

The Grayling office was one of two regional lottery centers which were part of the closing proposal. The Marquette regional claim center also was proposed to be closed for cost-cutting measures.

The cutting of costs and increasing of revenues is a priority of the Michigan Lottery.

The Michigan Lottery is the only state agency that was established to maximize revenue, said Lottery Commissioner Bill Martin when the closing proposal was announced. The Lottery always is looking at ways to

generate more revenue, since a percentage of the revenue is returned to Michigan schools, he added.

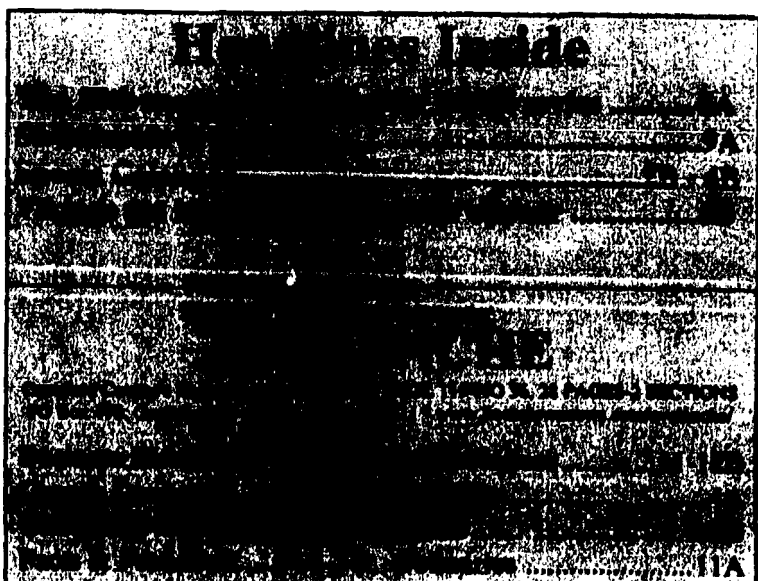
An alternative for those Lottery players who win more than \$600 on a game has been established. It used to be that a resident would have to go to a regional claim center, such as the one that is closing in Grayling, to redeem a more than \$600 winning ticket.

A new arrangement has been set up with banks in Michigan to pay out the Lottery money.

It will be a relative easy transaction, said Thomas Egan, deputy commissioner in charge of Lottery marketing. A Lottery winner will be able to take his or her winning ticket to one of these banks in the area and receive the money. The Lottery officials will wire the money to the bank using new technology to pay the winners.

There are 13 bank chains that are signed up to take part in the Lottery

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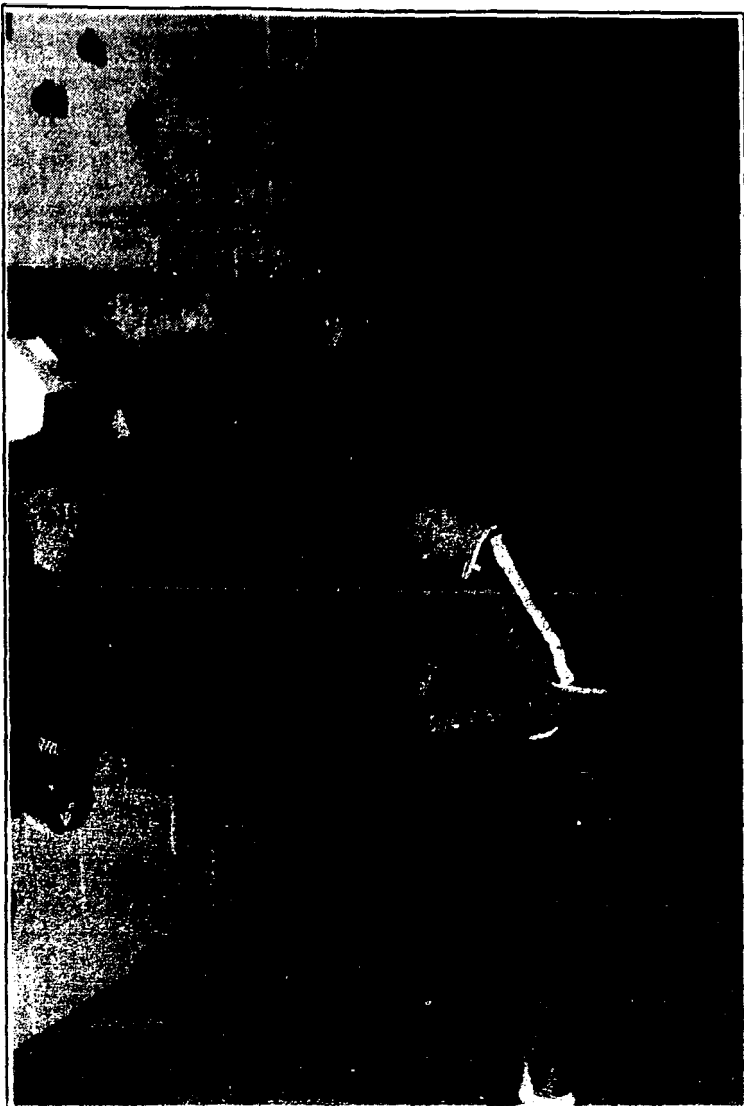
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SCHOOL STARTS — Jesse Ginther was one of many area students that arrived Aug. 27 for the first day of school. Ginther is shown putting his bag away at the Grayling Elementary School before class.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

from Charles Tinsley, Social Security Representative

Social Security's long-range financing outlook unchanged

The Social Security Board of Trustees announced that the Old Age and Survivors Insurance (OASI) and Disability Insurance (DI) Trust Funds, which support benefit payments to nearly 44 million Americans, are in good financial condition, and will remain so well into the next century.

The 1997 report concludes that — even with no changes in current law — the combined OASI and DI Trust Funds would be able to continue paying benefits for the next 32 years. According to the trustees, the assets of the combined funds are estimated to be depleted under present law in 2029. At that time, the trustees estimate that the OASDI program would still be collecting tax revenues — \$2.2 trillion in 2029 alone — sufficient to cover about three-fourths of annual expenditures.

The trustees emphasized in the report that it is important to address the issue of Social Security's long-range insolvency within a reasonable period to allow time for phasing in any necessary changes and for workers to adjust their retirement plans to take account of those changes. At the same time, the board stressed that there is ample time to discuss and evaluate alternative solutions with deliberation and care. They stated that the size of the long-range deficit — 2.23 percent of total payroll — is such that long-range balance could be restored within

The 25th season celebrated by travel series

The Travel and Adventure Series in the Grayling area will celebrate its Silver Anniversary when the new season starts on Thursday, Sept. 11.

The Crawford AuSable Community Education Program in partnership with Fick & Sons will present its 25th season of travel and adventure for area residents and visitors. For these many years, the live presentations of films by traveling artists has allowed area patrons to revisit a place they have experienced, or preview a country or destination that they plan to visit in the near future.

This year's series features recent productions by many artists new to the Grayling area, as well as a few familiar favorites. The 1997-98 season should prove to provide a wide range of enjoyable "trips" from Hawaii to Hong Kong, with visits to Puerto Rico, Europe's Small Wonders, Travels across the Bering Seas and on the Eastern and Orient Express.

This year's series opens with a new view of Hawaii. The program will be put on by John Holod and is called "Hawaii Wild and Beautiful." The "trip" to Hawaii begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. The Hawaii program presenter,

Holod, has a wide variety of travel background in his past. At 44, Holod seems to have been everywhere, and is said to have done it all.

He has been a wildlife guide, a country music guitarist and singer. He also is an internationally recognized photojournalist.

A native of Detroit, Holod studied cinematography, journalism and photography at Wayne State University. As a boy of 11, he made his first travelogue film mostly shooting from the back of his father's motorcycle on a trip from Detroit to the 1962 World's Fair in New York.


There will be a array of scenes shown during the first program of Hawaii. Some of the scenes featured in the first reel include a helicopter flight over Molokai's North Shore, the tallest sea cliffs in the world, an Hawaiian Rodeo, and a sunrise at Haleakala Crater, House of the Sun.

The second film reel will include such things as the King Kamehameha Day Parade, efforts to save endangered wildlife, scuba diving and a hike along the dangerous Na Pali Cliffs Trail. There will be additional scenes on each of the reels.

Tickets for the entire season of six shows at \$20 for adults and \$18 for students and senior citizens may be purchased through the Community Education office at Grayling High School or by calling; (517) 348-7641 ext. 123. Individual tickets for each show may be purchased at the door.

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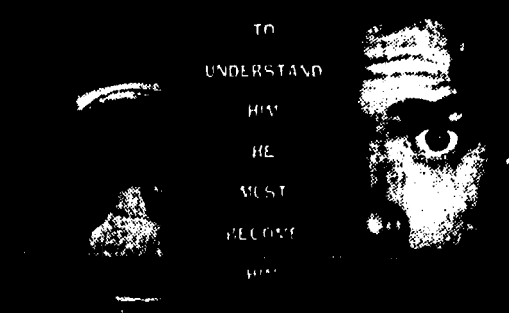
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Fri., Sept. 5 - Thurs., Sept. 11

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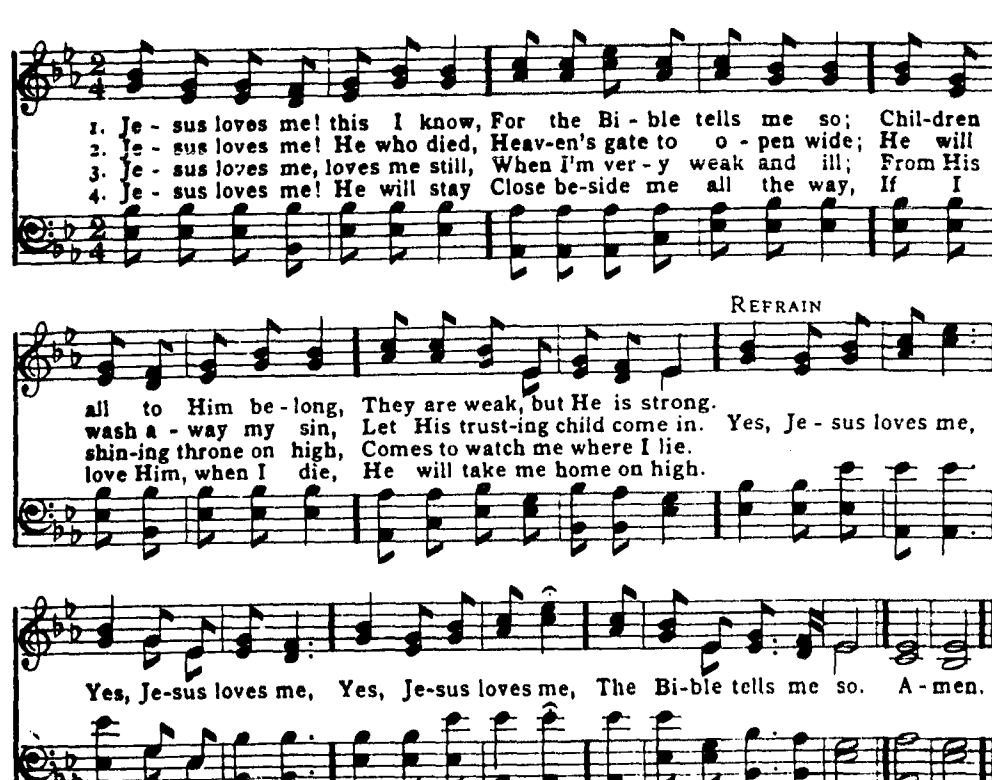
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2. Je - sus loves me! He who died, Heav-en's gate to o - pen wide; He will
3. Je - sus loves me, loves me still, When I'm ver - y weak and ill; From His
4. Je - sus loves me! He will stay Close be-side me all the way, If I

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all to Him be - long, They are weak, but He is strong.
wash a - way my sin, Let His trust-ing child come in. Yes, Je - sus loves me,
shin-ing throne on high, Comes to watch me where I lie.
love Him, when I die, He will take me home on high.

Yes, Je-sus loves me, Yes, Je-sus loves me, The Bi-ble tells me so. A-men.

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Beginning September 7: Worship 10 am • Sunday School 11:15 am
Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 348-2974

OPINIONS

EDITOR



ALMANACK

Richard Milliman

Term limits stir con and pro

MICHIGAN VOTERS, who approved term limits for the state legislature by a wide margin in 1992, must be shaking their heads in wonder as their wisdom gets hauled into court.

The legal challenge centers on the voter-approved provisions that someone who has served a maximum number of years in the legislature can't run for the job again.

The people can't make such a decision, the suit claims, because it limits the right voters to select whomever they wish — specifically, those who already have maxed out.

Several states limit election of governors one way or another, so far without challenge; the 1992 vote in Michigan also includes governor starting in 2002.

The President cannot serve more than two terms, which hasn't been challenged either.

Other qualifications for election are limiting — age limits, residency limits, citizenship requirements, and some others.

All these limit the right of the voter to choose.

The court will have to decide what's so different about putting a maximum on the number of years already served

by legislative candidates.

ALTHOUGH THE 1992 approval margin was substantial, it was not unanimous, and those who opposed term limits then still oppose them now. Their steady drumbeat of negativism about term limits has created some doubt among earlier supporters.

Barring a court order to the contrary, term limits in 1998 will hit the Michigan Legislature like a ton of bricks.

In the House, 65 members would be barred from running again. Many will run for something else, which makes many sitting state senators a bit nervous.

In the 2000 election, another 17 House members would be maxed out, and two years later, the term limit wave finally hits the Michigan Senate.

CRITICS ARE correct that the transition will create turmoil. Change always does.

But once the idea of rotating lawmakers gets into place, it should run much more smoothly.

Contrary to anti-limit dogma, the influence of lobbyists may well diminish with term limits. The strength

of most lobbyists is the closeness with which they work with long-time lawmakers.

Many lobbyists don't relish the challenge of developing new alliances as the membership changes. Oh, for the good old days — like today — when once a lobbyist is secure with a member, the coalition stays intact for several years.

And maybe with the new system of limited terms, legislators will stick more closely to making policy, and veer away from the trend toward attempts at hands-on management of state affairs.

In any event, the term limit plan deserves a fair chance to succeed.

Four or five years of unsettledness and potential problems is not too high a price to pay in the lifetime of a state, if the result is positive.

After a fair chance, if term limits doesn't bring improvement, greater citizen involvement and better government, then it should be changed again.

In 1992, the people of Michigan decided they wanted to change how their Legislature operates.

The people's program deserves a chance to succeed.

AN ARDENT backer of term limits right along has been U.S. Rep. Nick Smith of Lenawee County.

Mr. Smith speaks from experience. He has been making laws for 20 years now, and plans to run again next year. He was elected to two terms in the state House, three in the Senate, and three in Congress — so far.

He can't quit now, he claims. He's got to keep running for Congress so he can continue to fight for term limits.

Huh? Obviously he's never considered leading by example.

Another unusual backer is a newcomer to the idea.

Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina recently endorsed term limits.

As he set a longevity record in the U.S. Senate — serving 41 years and 10 months — Sen. Thurmond said:

"It might be better if you have a turnover and fresh blood after a reasonable time rather than serving so long."

Apparently Mr. Thurmond is a slow learner.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of the Crawford County Avalanche.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

Letters are limited to 500 words. All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1, which serves Wexford, Kalkaska, Crawford and Missaukee counties. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Linda DeMarchis, M.A., or Carleen Hubbell, M.A., Health Educators, District Health Dept. No. 1, 401 Lake Street, Cadillac, MI 49601.

Question: Can you give us some information about ringworm — what causes it, how is it spread, etc.

Answer: Ringworm is a common generic term for various fungal infections that occur on the skin, scalp or fingernails. The medical term for most of these infections is tinea followed by the Latin name for the part of the body affected. Some common examples of tinea include tinea corporis (ringworm of the skin) and tinea pedis (athlete's foot).

The fungus which causes ringworm infections lives in the outer layer of human skin and is transmitted from person to person through direct contact. The fungus can also be passed by articles of clothing, towels, hair brushes, and moist surfaces, such as the floor of a locker room. Occasionally the fungus is found in the soil or on an animal and sometimes can be spread in this way but not usually.

Ringworm is easy to recognize because of its characteristic red circular lesions and wormlike appearance. Some infections have severe itching associated with them while others may not itch at all.

Any persistent skin infection or scalp irritation should be brought to a doctor's attention. If it is ringworm, it should be treated as soon as possible since ringworm becomes more stubborn over time. Treatment consists of either ointments or pills or both, depending on location and type of infection. The condition is not dangerous, but certainly can be annoying and irritating.

To avoid ringworm, keep the skin cool and dry — especially the feet. Wear cotton socks and underclothing. Avoid sharing other people's hair brushes, hats, towels or clothing. If athlete's foot is a problem, select leather shoes or sandals instead of sneakers or plastic shoes. Use powders and avoid walking barefoot in public showers/locker rooms.

Question: My husband usually cooks on the grill everyday in the summer. Is there a problem with this?

Answer: There was a time when we used to throw everything on the grill from steaks to hot dogs without a care. Now that consumers are more health conscious, they are questioning the safety of former practices. The concern of grilling arises from the recently discovered link between grilled fatty meats and cancer.

When meats are cooked, the fat drips down onto the heat source and forms cancer causing chemicals. Then the chemicals are carried back up in the rising smoke and deposited on the meat, especially when it is cooked to a very well done stage or charred. However, according to the USDA eating moderate amounts of grilled meats cooked without charring does not pose a problem.

For the best grilling, you should adopt practices that minimize both the dripping of fat and excessive smoking. Here are a few suggestions:

- Don't grill everyday
- Trim fat off of meat
- Place foil punctured with a few holes on the grill first

- Precook meat by microwaving or broiling before placing on grill
- Place a metal pan between meat and coals to catch drippings
- Put the meat to the side instead of directly over coals
- Do not lower grill lid
- Cut off charred portions of meat before serving
- Prepare more meatless dishes such as vegetable kabobs

If you would like to know more about food safety, the Health Department is an excellent source of information. The environmental health staff will be happy to answer questions or supply you with literature on various food safety topics.

Grayling community has advantages over big cities

To the editor:

For a few years now, we've been looking for a place to buy up north. Just to come and relax, to get away from the hustle and bustle of Detroit and the suburbs. We are so glad that we found a place in the Grayling area about two years ago.

We decided to make a go of it and move up this past year, after frequenting the area a lot, usually every other weekend.

From our experience the Grayling community has given us a very warm welcome. The people that we have had the honor of meeting are very friendly, kind and thoughtful to us no matter where we go.

Whether its our neighbors like the Hatfields, Bakers or the Tompkins to the people in town at the various businesses, they have really taken their time to be very friendly and courteous to us.

Something you really don't find a lot

of everywhere you go in the big city.

An example of this is the honesty that S and K Marathon gave us just recently. After making a purchase and their going home, I realized that I didn't receive the correct change. I went right back to S and K and informed them that I thought I received incorrect change. Angela Hagerman took my name and number and told me the next morning was the earliest they would be able to find out. So around 9 a.m. the next day, Julie Hinds called and told me there was a mistake and I could come and get my money which would be a rarity down state.

This type of great customer service represents the Grayling community in offering a warm and happy face to the public. That's what Grayling is all about, a friendly, kind and courteous place to live.

The Watkins,
Grayling Township

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AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community news items submitted to the Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in our Wednesday issue.

Letters to the Editor and photographs must be turned in by Friday noon to be considered for the next issue. Please use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must

be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid in advance or they will not be published. Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday, 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday, 5 p.m.

A Labor Day message to the 'other people'

To the editor:

This Labor Day, I would like to recognize the "other people" — the millions and millions of workers in our country who have chosen to exercise their freedom of choice and have chosen not to belong to a union.

These dedicated, productive, hard-working open shop (non-union) Americans can be found everywhere, in every walk of life, in every industry, and yet, they seem to get little of the recognition that their union counterparts receive on this holiday.

The AFL-CIO will publicly proclaim the virtues of its union members. The Department of Labor (DOL) will, no doubt, do the same. We only hope the DOL will not overlook or understate the other 90 percent of the American workforce who work just as hard, just as long, and, far outnumber their union

counterparts in the United States.

The U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that organized labor represents about 10 percent of the nation's work force. Simple arithmetic would conclude that nonunion workers are the vast majority.

I have seen first-hand, "up close and personal," how these dedicated open shop skilled craftspeople ply their trade and how essential they are to the overall welfare and stability of the construction industry and our country.

In honor of this Labor Day holiday, I'm taking this opportunity to publicly acknowledge the "other people". Just in case someone else forgets to.

Linda Wiseley,
Executive Director
Associated Builders and
Contractors, Inc.
Northern Michigan Chapter

Visitor calls for action to improve animal shelter

To the editor:

Returning from a vacation on Aug. 15, I rescued an imperiled dog from I-75 morning traffic. After getting the frightened canine safely into my truck, I attempted to locate an animal shelter, but calls to the operator, information and the State Highway Patrol were all futile. Finally, a dispatcher from the sheriff's office provided the Animal Shelter of Crawford County's number. The frustrating experience left a disturbing, yet moving impression, and it seems more public awareness is needed.

This sanctuary for lost, unwanted or strayed dogs and cats is meager beyond description, but opulent in the care given to the lost and homeless by two work-worn women and a compassionate teenager. Dogs and cats of all breeds, ages and dispositions occupied every inch of the woefully inadequate shelter, both inside and out. Animals, however, don't know or care about fancy buildings or furnishings. They only respond to kindness and that rare commodity was abundant here.

Crawford County can be proud of its animal shelter, pitiful though the facility is, because this particular story had a happy ending. Thanks to Dixie

Lobsinger's lost and found notes, after wandering for several days, lost, frightened and hungry, Lucca (dog) was reunited with his family, but most lost animals aren't so fortunate — especially when the shelter's plight appears to be so obscure.

How many readers know that the current facility will cease to exist effective January, 1999? I write this letter to urge readers to get to know the special people who work to care for the creatures who can't care for themselves at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County and encourage them to support the efforts of these dedicated workers by contributing time, supplies and money. Make a new shelter a reality by getting involved. Your community needs it.

And please, wear identification on your pet and print a phone number in indelible ink on collars should tags be lost (as Lucca's were). It can be the difference between life and death. Don't add to the animal overpopulation problem. Have pets spayed or neutered and consider adopting an animal from the shelter. They probably have the perfect pet for you. Their number is (517) 348-4117.

K. L. Kirsch,
Louisville, Ohio

The county sportsplex: Do we need it?

To the editor:

I listened to the reports from the citizens' committee for the Complex. A lot was left out.

The Complex at \$6 million is only the first phase.

Operation is the sleeper.

They need director, assistant director, three secretaries, two to three life guards, two to three maintenance people and security guards. Approximately 12 people are needed.

Insurance and utilities also will cost money. Operating the sportsplex seven days a week at an average of 10 hours

per day, all this for about \$155,000 a year, or .045 mills per thousand. How are they going to get all the money to operate.

If they rent out the pool to the school system, who is going to pay (or give free time). Why should taxpayers subsidize a complex for vacationers, outsiders from other counties, or extra playground (which we have now from the Grayling Recreation Authority).

Get out and vote the way you choose, but vote!

Larry Schoen,
Grayling

Stand up for Dixie Lobsinger, animal shelter

To the editor,

We think it is a shame the way some "political figures" in Grayling, and you know who you are, are treating Dixie Lobsinger and the issue of forcing her to move and not backing her up in building a new animal shelter on donated land on North Down River Road.

Are you even remotely aware of how fortunate we are to have such a dedicated lady to run the shelter in our community? She has dedicated her life to these lost or unwanted animals and is always available when you need her services.

It appalls and sickens us to think that someday there may be no shelter in our city if the people are not willing to speak up and help her in her strive to build a new shelter.

Without a new shelter, which we desperately need, what will happen to all of these animals? Where will people "drop off" unwanted pets and who will protect us from packs of dogs running wild? Who will give them medical attention, feed them and find them new homes?

Think about it!
Al and Elaine Boyd,
Grayling

Committee chairman explains aspects of Sportsplex vote

To the editor:

It has been a real privilege for me to serve as the Chairman of "The Citizens for the Crawford County Sportsplex" proposal.

Each of the members on the committee has worked diligently to develop a total program that meets the wants and needs of all the families and individuals of the community.

Our program will offer an ice arena, a swimming pool and a wading pool, and walking track.

In addition, our plans include a conference room and a gymnasium, both

of which will produce added income to our program.

Our plans have addressed a funding budget that covers all aspects of operating a facility of this type.

We are asking for your vote of "YES" — "YES" on Sept. 9 for the Sportsplex bond and millage proposals.

Ken Eldridge,
Chairman of The
Crawford County Sportsplex

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Forest Dunes golf and residential development on a relatively 'quick pace'

Hope to complete first phase by next summer

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The Forest Dunes golf and residential development in South Branch Township is moving and will continue to move in a pretty quick process in comparison to other developments of this magnitude.

BRIEFS

Association sets regular meeting

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. at the Central Methodist Church in Sault Ste. Marie. All ostomates and interested persons are invited and can call (517) 821-5721 for more details.

Bible study group to meet

A bible study group for college and career aged people will take place on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Interested persons can call Dena at 348-5111 or 348-4197.

Grayling City Park concert planned

David Mark Piell will be in concert at the Grayling City Park on Saturday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. Piell is the original founding member of the Christian music group Watchband. Persons should bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. A tree will offering will be received for Watchband Ministries.

SHARE sign-up scheduled

There will be a SHARE sign-up on Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Commission on Aging. The SHARE pick-up will be Sept. 20 from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints on North Down River Road.

Sports passes available

The Grayling High School Athletic Association will be selling sports passes at Grayling High School before athletic events during the next two weeks. The charges for the passes are: student pass, \$20; family pass, \$75; and adult pass, \$50.

Teen party cancelled

The Christian Youth Activity Center at Hanson Hills will be celebrating its six-month anniversary on Saturday, Sept. 6. A pig roast for the community will be held. A party for teens had been planned for after the pig roast, but the party has been cancelled.

Welcome Wagon to meet

The Welcome Wagon will meet on Monday, Sept. 8 at 6 p.m. at the home of Jim and Heidi Minthorn, 950 South AuSable Trail in Grayling for an evening of fellowship and food. Please bring a dish to pass. For more details call Rose Smith at 348-5598 or Betty Mansfield at 348-8562.

Weyerhaeuser to accept grant applications

The Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation is accepting applications for 1998 grants to organizations that are private, non-profit and tax-exempt. Interested organizations may call 348-3404 for applications.

Although it will be many years before all of the projected 1,268 site condominium units are sold out and the homes built, the design and construction of the Forest Dunes development are on a quick pace.

According to Forest Dunes Managing Partner Payne Palmer, this development is on a pretty quick process due to the area. The soil and water system are two reasons that the Forest Dunes project will be developed more quickly than similar projects in other locations.

The soil is pretty easy to work with, Palmer said. The sandy soil is very porous and provides for a good drainage system.

Another reason for the quick process is a complete water system for the entire development does not have to be designed, Palmer said. The individual water system for each homeowner allows for a speed up in the design time frame. The project officials and homeowners will work with the local health department in design of each water system.

The development of items in phase one of the project has been underway since the site plan was approved by the Crawford County Planning Commission on Aug. 6. The development is located at the former South Branch Ranch on 1,232 acres in Crawford County.

The goal is to complete the first phase sometime late next summer or early next fall, Palmer said. The first phase of project will include construction of the first 18-hole golf course, natural resources management center, numerous lakes and ponds, pro shop, golf services area, convenience store and gas station, the main connector road and some secondary

roads.

The total project is to include two private 18-hole golf courses, a swimming pool, tennis courts, beach house, hiking/biking trails, and equestrian center, 1,268 site condominium units and other items.

There is equipment at the site that is clearing the golf course corridors. It is projected that the clearing will be done in the next couple of weeks. Following this process, Palmer said the construction of the first golf course will start.

The first 18-hole golf course is designed by Senior Professional Golf Association Tour player Tom Weiskopf. According to Palmer, the first nine holes will hopefully be completed before the snow falls. The remainder of the first 18-hole course will be completed next spring.

The final road plans for the Four Mile Road extension to connect to the main entrance to the development is still being finalized. The final design of the golf club house also is nearly complete.

With the first phase construction beginning, Forest Dunes officials will begin to market the private development to major markets south of the area in Michigan and out of state. Officials plan to begin marketing the development in late fall or early winter this year. The lots also will begin to be sold at this time.



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THURS. 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. Call Mary Kay @ 348-1398 for more information. • AUSABLE VALLEY SNOWMOBILE Association meeting @ Grayling Holiday Inn, 7 pm. • BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP support group meeting @ St. Mary's Learning Center, 702 Peninsular, 3-5 pm. For more information, call Mary Beth Dettling, 1-800-424-1457. • SOUP, SANDWICH & Dessert luncheon @ Michelson Memorial Church. • GBB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, home, 6:15 pm. • VAR GIRLS TENNIS vs. Cadillac, away, 4 pm. • VAR BOYS GOLF vs. Gladwin, home, 4 pm. • VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Gaylord, away, 6:30 pm. • JV FB vs. Roscommon, away, 6:30 pm. • FREDERIC ELEMENTARY open house, 6:30 pm.
FRI. 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REGISTRATION ADULT ED/Alternative Ed @ HS, 9 am - 5 pm & 6-9 pm. • MS PLAY CASTING. • VAR FB vs. Roscommon, home, 7:30 pm.
SAT. 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CROSS-COUNTRY Charlevoix Classic, 10 am. • CONCERT IN THE PARK, 7 pm. David Mark Piell, singer, songwriter and guitarist. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating.
SUN. 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON. 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Iron Gate, 12 noon. • WELCOME WAGON Newcomers Meeting @ Jim & Heidi Minthorn's. Call Betty Mansfield, 348-8562, or Rose Smith, 348-5598, for more information. • 1ST SEMESTER ADULT ED begins, 6-9 pm. • VAR GIRLS TENNIS vs. Traverse City, away, 4 pm. • MS GBB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, 7th home, 8th away. • VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Tawas, away, 5 pm. • FRESH GBB vs. West Branch Ogemaw Heights, 6:15 pm. • AP/GE PARENTS Group meeting @ Grayling Elementary conference room, 6:30 pm. • PREPARING YOUR CHILD for the Future (How to Make the Right Choices in Today's World) @ New Life Community Services, 7-8:30 pm.
TUES. 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. • CRAWFORD COUNTY RESOURCE Council meeting @ Mercy Hospital private dining room, 12 noon. • AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY meeting @ Citizens Bank, 1 pm. • SAT REGISTRATION for October 4 test. • CROSS-COUNTRY @ Oscoda. • VAR BOYS GOLF @ Tawas, 4 pm. • GE OPEN HOUSE 6 pm. • GBB vs. Gladwin, 6:15 pm. • PROJECT GRADUATION meeting @ HS, 7 pm.
WED. 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West. Weigh-in, 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy, 348-5321. • ROTARY CLUB meeting @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. • LIONS CLUB MEETING @ Breakers Steak House, 6:30 pm. • VAR. GIRLS TENNIS vs. Traverse City, home, 4 pm. • MS G5B vs. Gladwin, 7th home, 8th away. • VAR BOYS SOCCER vs. Oscoda, 5 pm. • HS OPEN HOUSE 6 pm. • FRESH GBB vs. Gladwin, home, 6:15 pm. • TEACHING CHILDREN Self Discipline (How to Face the Consequences of One's Own Behavior) New Life Community Services, 10-11:30 pm.

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Does God Fail?

In this Laodicean age, humans assume to be the measure of all things. God is often rejected by them as a failure. The fastest growing churches in America use poll results to draw people into their pews. Visitors are made happy and never offended by God's Word. They believe the lost multitudes must be reached with any kind of compromised gospel or hope which will keep them coming back. They say anything is better than nothing. The liberals of the 60's were trying to be more honest by publicly declaring God is dead!

The Bible reveals God dozens of times as Almighty. "And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar...blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: [35] And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to

his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou? (Daniel 4:34-35) God still, "...worketh all things after the counsel of his own will;" (Ephesians 1:11) "Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world." (Acts 15:18) We can say with the host of heaven: "...Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth." (Revelation 19:6)

This evil world has always rejected Jesus Christ. "The kings of the earth, and the rulers we gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ. [27] For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou has anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, [28] For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done." (Acts 4:26-28) Peter preached, "Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel

and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain." (Acts 2:23) Even this united rejection and crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ by the wicked world did not frustrate God's eternal power, plan, or purpose. God's wisdom exposes the world's foolishness!

God never fails! Only an evil, unbelieving world has failed! God's saints still believe and honor the book, and the blessed hope of our Savior. They proudly proclaim with Peter, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God!" (Matthew 16:16). "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever." (Hebrews 13:8)

Pastor "B"



New program launched by DEQ for communities

Local communities may set their own goals for restoring or protecting valuable rivers, lakes and streams under an innovative program launched by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

The voluntary general permit program helps communities of less than 100,000 design their own solutions to storm water overflows and prevent discharges of pollutants into the water during heavy rain storms.

"This is an opportunity to demonstrate that a flexible, locally driven approach is effective in dealing with storm sewer overflows," said DEQ Director Russell Harding. "We're confident that it will provide a national model as the federal government develops permit requirements for smaller communities."

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Federal law now requires large communities to have storm water permits. Smaller communities will have to meet the standards by the year 2001.

Participants in Michigan's general permit program would band together to:

Implement a public education plan encouraging residents to reduce the discharge of pollutants in storm water.

Identify and control improper industrial and sanitary dischargers.

Develop a watershed management plan in cooperation with other area stakeholders. The plan identifies and implements actions to resolve water quality and quantity concerns.

Develop a site-specific storm water pollution prevention program.

"This really is a program that will be designed at the local level," Harding said. "Rather than having rigid uniform guidelines, communities will bring together stakeholders to decide the best storm water management practices. Local people providing local

solutions to local problems."

The benefits are numerous, according to Harding. A community's application for the program or withdrawal are completely voluntary. The program also offers a structured, state-supported approach to storm water pollution control that emphasizes grass-roots involvement in goal-setting and action plan decisions.

"I encourage communities to take advantage of this program," Harding said. "Regulation always will be an important tool. But this is a unique opportunity to demonstrate that communities can manage their own environmental challenges without costly over-regulation from the federal government."

For more information contact Fred Cowles at (517) 335-4127 or Pete Ostlund at (517) 335-4116 in the DEQ's Surface Water Quality Division.

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Proverbs 17.1-28
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Pastor Dale Hammond
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Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

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209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Paterson
400 Michigan Ave.
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348-2974
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11:15 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor David Stramel
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm St., Gaylord
Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
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Wednesday 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
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Mid-Week Services
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Church of Christ
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Sunday Worship 11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday
Mid-week Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ with the Eliza Message
Pastor John E. Weaver
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Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Studer
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Grayling, Mich. 348-5325
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night 6:30 p.m.
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Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
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..... 10:30 a.m.
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Area Boy Scouts travel to Washington

What did you do this summer? That question will be asked many times during the first couple of weeks of school in northern Michigan. For 36 Boy Scouts and four adult leaders there will be quite a story to tell.

The scouts organized a troop to attend the 15th Boy Scout Jamboree at Fort AP Hill, Virginia, which is about an hour south of Washington, D.C. The Lake Huron Area Council (LHAC) Troop was lead by Mike

Smith of Saginaw, First Assistant Loren Goodale of Grayling, Second Assistant Dave Bender of Saginaw and Third Assistant Ted Kramer of West Branch. Local scouts Aaron Mead and Todd McCarver attended, as well as scouts from 19 counties of northeast Lower Michigan including Saginaw, Midland, Tawas City and Alpena.

The troop left Saginaw via charter bus on Saturday, July 26 and returned on Thursday, Aug. 7. On the way to Fort AP Hill the troop spent a day and a half in Washington, D.C. seeing sights and participating in a wreath laying at Arlington Cemetery Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Other highlights included viewing the new Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial and taking a Capital tour arranged by Congressman Dave Camp.

On Monday afternoon the troop arrived at the Jamboree site. With temperatures near 100 degrees, they had set up their home for the next nine days. Almost everything in this city of 36,000 scouts and leaders was in a tent of some sort, including the grocery store and doctors' office.

On Tuesday morning the scouts work up only to try and decide what to do first activities included the action centers with everything from obstacle courses to archery ranges, bikeathon to a 53-foot repelling tower, or how about the merit badge midway giving the scouts a chance to work on over 75 merit badges or maybe it was off to the Army Action Center, the national exhibit area with displays featuring computers, history of scouting or even religious awards or even the environmental conservation area. Another popular activity was patch trading with scouts from all over the country or one of the other 40 countries represented.

On Wednesday night the scouts all attended an arena show featuring Army paratroopers, the Army band, Navy bands, then after everyone was in and seated President Bill Clinton arrived by helicopter, that landed less than 75 yards from the LHAC scouts.

"If every young person in America would give back to their community in the way you do, just imagine what we could do," Clinton said during his speech. "Imagine how many fewer problems we would have. So many times I have wished that every young person in America had a chance to be a part of scouting, and tonight I see why more clearly than ever."

After the president left, Walt Disney World took over the stage for an evening of song and dance, followed by a closing laser light show. On Sunday night the scouts were again entertained at an arena show which highlighted Louise Mandrell and a fireworks display.

The LHAC scouts also participated in a record-breaking attempt. The scouts lined up for over eight-and-a-half miles to pass 50 buckets of water for the world's longest fire bucket brigade. The results have been sent to Guinness Book for their review.

On the way home the troop stopped and did a five-hour whitewater rafting trip.

Although this event only happens every four years, the local scouts do camp on a regular basis year round. Any boy between the ages of 11 and 18 who would like to get involved with the troop can join the scouts at their meeting on Monday nights at 7 p.m. in the meeting room behind Goodale's Bakery. Interested boys can call 348-9414 for further details.

Supervisor named

Technical Sgt. Michael W. Rowland of Sterling Heights, Mich., was recently assigned to the United States Air Force Recruiting Office, 1723 M32 West, in Gaylord.

Sgt. Rowland is a volunteer for the position with an outstanding Air Force record. He will be supervising six recruiters located throughout the northern Michigan area.

Prior to Sgt. Rowland's assignment here, he was an Operations Supervisor for the 333rd Recruiting Squadron, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida.

Rowland is married to the former Debi Lane of Sterling Heights, and they have one child, Melissa. They currently reside in Grayling.

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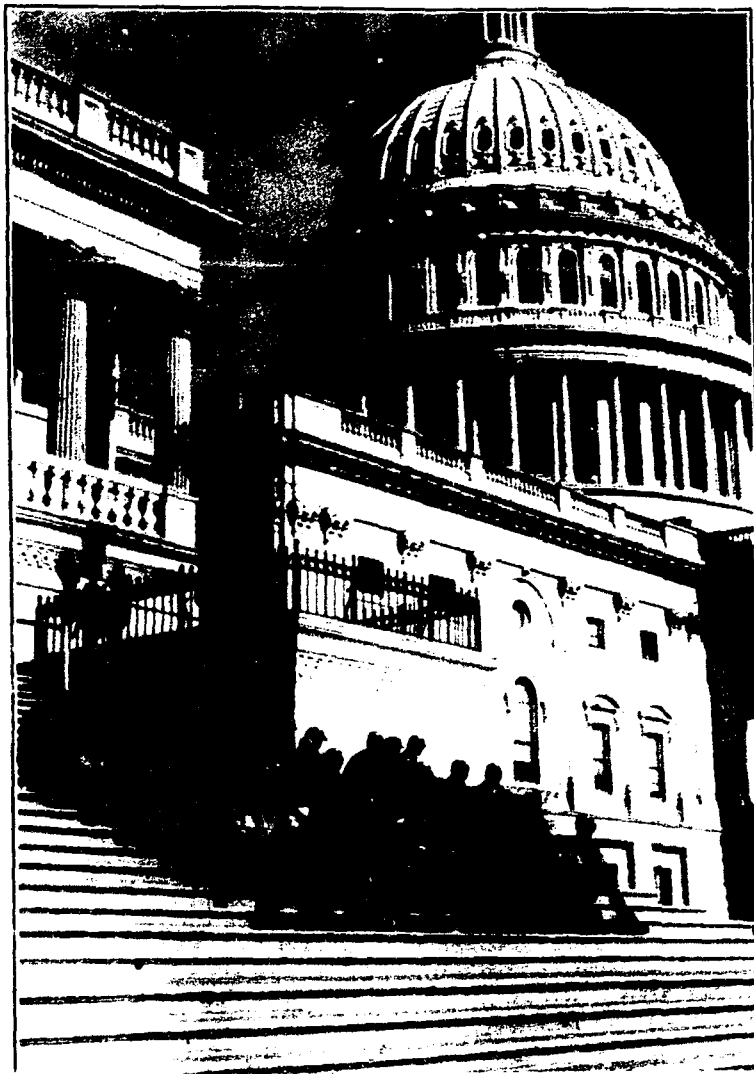
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TRIP TO WASHINGTON — A number of area Boy Scouts and leaders traveled to Washington, D.C. for the annual Jamboree. The boys took part in a number of activities while in the nation's capital.

Elder Care Challenge to honor Michigan companies

Michigan House Republicans recently announced a new statewide recognition program for companies leading in the field of elder care, according to the vice chair of the House Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

State Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling) said "Innovations in Elder Care: Promoting Solutions in Michigan" will acknowledge Michigan business and organizations that have been in the forefront on this important issue.

"A growing number of Michigan families must care for their aging and ailing family members," Lowe said. "House Republicans encourage innovating programs like elder care that make families stronger."

"Companies are beginning to acknowledge this growing need. By recognizing and publicizing their efforts, other organizations are encouraged to offer elder care benefits. Innovator Award for a new program or policy; Pioneer Award for an existing program or policy; and Helping Hands Award for communities that provide elder care solutions."

A private, public and nonprofit employer or facility will be recognized

in the Innovator and Pioneer categories.

All nominees will be recognized for their leadership. Employers and individuals who have shown extra initiative will earn additional recognition at a public awards ceremony held on Oct. 29.

According to a recent cover story in USA Today, the price tag facing workers and employers is staggering.

Lost productivity, absenteeism, interruptions and replacing employees who quit to care for elderly relatives cost American companies \$30 billion annually, according to a survey by the National Alliance for Caregiving, the American Association of Retired Persons and Glaxo Wellcome.

The survey also found that more than 22 million families provide informal, unpaid care for an older parent or relative, up from 7 million in 1987. Out-of-pocket expenses total \$24 billion a year for such things as missed work, care services and travel.

Nomination forms for "Innovations in Elder Care: Promoting Solutions in Michigan" are available through Lowe's Lansing office by writing to P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909 or calling (517) 373-0829. The entry deadline is Sept. 30.



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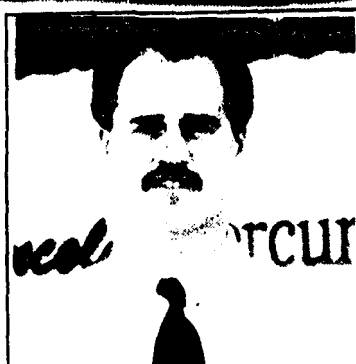
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Republican majority medal awarded

Honoree has connection with Crawford County

The Republican Senatorial Inner Circle announced Aug. 13 the prestigious Republican Majority Medal has been awarded to Wellington W. Batterson of Chicago, Ill. in recognition of leadership and support in building the current Republican Senate Majority.

The Republican Majority Medal presented to Wellington W. Batterson is a facsimile of one also being presented to former President Ronald

Reagan and other senior Republican leaders in grateful appreciation of the historic efforts to make the Republican Party America's majority party.

In making the medal presentation, U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell, chairman of the National Republican Senatorial Committee, said, "it is Inner Circle members like Wellington W. Batterson who have proven that by getting involved in the American political process, an individual can have a dramatic impact on the future of our nation and our world."

The recipient of the Republican award, Batterson is the grandson of the late Judge Wellington Batterson of Crawford County. Judge Batterson was instrumental in the organization of Crawford County, was appointed its first judge, and subsequently served his community faithfully as Judge of Probate for over 20 years. Judge Batterson was also influential in the organization of the community of Wellington in southwest Crawford County.

Wellington Farm Park, a living history farm depicting a way of life of an earlier time, is located near the site of the early farming community of Wellington. On Sept. 27 and 28, Wellington Farm Park will be the site of an event re-creating historical highlights of the past. Batterson will be present at that time to meet local residents and display the prestigious Republican Majority Medal. During the "Walk-thru-History", Batterson will be portraying his grandfather, Judge Wellington Batterson and re-creating some of the interesting events of that early resident's life.



WEDDING PLANNED— Luke and Pauline Petrosky announce the impending marriage of their daughter, Anne Petrosky, to Jeff Guthrie, son of Robert and Paula Guthrie of Lapeer. An October ceremony is planned. The couple will reside in Traverse City.

Sheriff's Report

The Sheriff's Department of Crawford County dealt with the following 129 incidents from Aug. 25 through Sept. 1:

Assault (8), Burglary (6), Larceny (6), Vehicle Theft (1), Fraud (1), Property Damage (5), Controlled Substance (1), Public Peace (12), OUI/ OUID (3), Health and Safety (22), Conservation (4), MiscCrim (7), Minors (1), Runaway (1), Accidents (11), Non-traffic Accident (3), Civ- ilTraf (1), Parking Violation (1), TrafPol (1), TrafSafPR (2), False Alarm (4), Fire (1), Accident Other (3), InspVeh (1), InspProp (1), Civil/FT (9), Suspicious Situation (9), GenAsst (2), Drunkness (1) and General Non-Criminal (15).



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Jill St. Germain to perform 'Down Under'

Jillian St. Germain, 14, of Grayling, a student at the Louise Tournaud School of Dance, recently returned from the "I Love Dance" International Championships and Sweetheart Pageant in Lake Tahoe, Nev.

She spent ten exciting days at the Horizon Casino Resort competing, taking classes from the world-renowned teachers and performing with a select and talented group of "Sweethearts" and "Heart Throbs" from across the U.S., Canada and Australia.

Jill, Michigan's "Sweetheart" representative, was busy from the minute she arrived in Lake Tahoe with costume fittings, rehearsals, photo sessions and activities planned exclusively for the "Sweethearts" and "Heart Throbs". The activities included a pool party on her first night

there to get acquainted with the other pageant members. Some other activities included The Tahoe Bowl, a bowling tournament in California where her team came in dead last; a Fantasy Theatre Night in formal dress; a "Back to the 50's sock-hop; and "Crusin Lake Tahoe on the M.S. Dixie", a tour of the Lake Tahoe area on a paddle-wheel boat.

She was accompanied on her trip by her mother, Debbie St. Germain, and late joined by her aunt Dianne Tobin, step-grandmother Janice Niederer, Michigan's scholarship winner Ashley Longendyke, her mother and grandmother.

Jill's memorable and educational week was capped off on her last night there when she performed in the "I Love Dance Sweetheart Heart Throb

Revue", "Car Tunes/Hot Summer Nights" which included 36 dance numbers, learned by the participants in just eight days. The show was a huge success with the exciting post show award announcement to follow. Just 24 of the 87 "Sweethearts" and "Heart Throbs" would be selected to join the "I Love Dance" International Tour to Sydney, Australia Jan. 4 - Jan. 15, 1998.

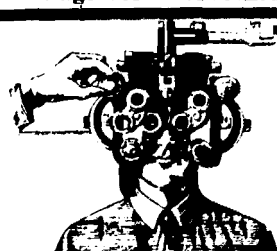
Jill, at 14, was one of the youngest and most talented students selected to join the "I Love Dance Tourin Down Under" ensemble, many of whom will go on to rewarding performance careers. Jill, who is a very dedicated young dancer and studies under Louise Tournaud five days a week, year-round, will be accompanied on her trip to Australia by Kim McKimmie, international director of "I Love Dance", and other world-class master teachers. She will gain valuable experience reaching new levels of achievement and reward, while making new friends and acquaintances.

Of the thousand of hard working dancers who only dream of being there, just a few have the honor.

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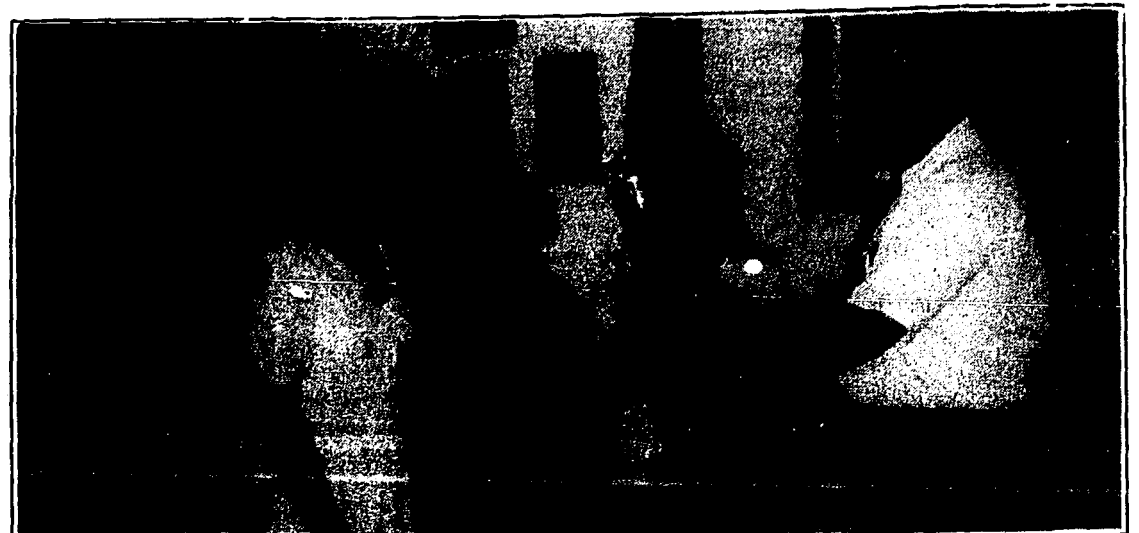
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Michigan paddlers return with the traveling trophy

Canoeists from across the United States and other countries traveled to Niles, Mich. on Aug. 12-17 to participate in the 30th Annual United States Canoe Association National Championship races.

For the second year in a row, Michigan racers earned top honors and were awarded the "Top State Award". The trophy is awarded to the state whose canoeists earn the most points in the many races held at the championships each summer.

The USCA National Championship races consist of six days of races for canoe and kayak racers of any age. There are many different age and class divisions. There are not only sprint



CANOE TROPHY — Michigan won this canoe trophy for earning the most points at the national canoe event. Because of the canoeing in the area, Grayling will have the trophy on display. Barb Hunter and Bruce Bretzke hold the large trophy. The others looking on are, from left, Kathy Black, Sandra Moore, John Hartman and Lynette Corlew.

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GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT NOTES
 by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

Pretty Bad Bunions

A little vanity can be a good thing when it comes to coping with bunions. If you notice a swelling or enlargement on the outer edge of the big toe joint, have the disfigurement checked out promptly. If it is a bunion, the sooner you get help, the more likely it is that you can ease the condition and avoid the consequences of serious foot damage.

Bunions are caused by a weakness in bone structure that allows joints to push out of alignment. As a bunion progresses, the big toe joint juts further away from the foot, forming an acute angle. Inflammation and redness build, and arthritis may damage the joint space. When caught in its early stages, a bunion may be treated successfully with such measures as exercise, a change in footwear, anti-inflammatory medication, and prescription shoe inserts (orthotics).

If the deformity worsens, surgery may be recommended.

Your feet aren't supposed to hurt or cause you discomfort. When they do, there are many steps you can take to get relief. The first, and probably most important, is a visit to your podiatrist. When bunions and other foot problems have got you down, let us do what we do best at **GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C.**, diagnose and treat the problem so you're back on your feet quickly and painlessly. For foot care for the family, please call us at **822-9100** & **800-968-7440, 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City, Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.**

P.S. Bunions are not caused by ill-fitting shoes, but such footwear can make the situation worse.

races, but also longer "marathon" races which are usually about two hours in length.

This year only two competitors were from Grayling, Colin and Eric Hunter, who each received three medals, but there were also several paddlers from the surrounding area.

Lynn Witte, the president of the Michigan Canoe Race Association, received the trophy at the end of the awards ceremony on Sunday, Aug. 17. She asked that since Grayling is a major canoe area in the state, that a place be found in Grayling to display the traveling trophy for the year. Grayling also displayed the trophy last year, part of the year in a showcase at the high school and the remainder of the year at Citizens Bank in Grayling.

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OBITUARIES

Ruth A. Stroia

Ruth A. Stroia, 92, formerly of Grayling, died August 31, 1997 at the DeKalb County Nursing Home.

Mrs. Stroia was born in Akeley, Minn., to William James and Frances (Meigs) Pregrine, on October 30, 1904. She married John A. Stroia on April 15, 1941 in Detroit. They were married for over 50 years and have been retired in Grayling for over 20 years where they were members of the Calvary Baptist Church. Ruth enjoyed sewing, crocheting, and cooking.

Ruth is survived by one daughter Ann Marie and her husband William Studwell of Sycamore, Ill.; one granddaughter Laura Studwell of Sycamore, Ill.; one nephew Allan Peregrine of Homosassa, Fla.; and one great-niece Renee Roberts of Lexington, Ky.

She was preceded in death by her husband John in 1995, her parents, and two brothers Ervin M. and Benjamin Peregrine.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, September 5, 1997 at 2 p.m. at the Anderson Funeral Home with the Rev. Dan Stovall of the Sycamore Baptist Church officiating. Burial will follow at Mound Rest Cemetery in Cortland. Friends may call on Friday afternoon at the Anderson Funeral Home in DeKalb, Ill. from 1 p.m. until the time of service at 2 p.m.

Cards of Thanks

Words cannot express our thanks and appreciation for all the support with cards, flowers, gifts and sympathy shown for our recent loss of a beloved husband, father, grandfather, relative and friend.

The family of John Kucharek

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Gertrude Wakeley

Gertrude "Trudie" Wakeley, 74, of Grayling died on Aug. 13, 1997 at Mercy Manor, Grayling.

She was born in Detroit on Dec. 3, 1922, to Kazimer and Anna (Myslievic) Michalak.

Mrs. Wakeley moved to Grayling 38 years ago from Hamtramck. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Seeley G. Wakeley, in 1994, and her parents.

She is survived by one son: Cy Wakeley, Grayling; one daughter: Kary Moshier and husband, Roger, Grayling; one sister: Theresa Ignatowski, Holly; two brothers: Leonard Michalak, Farmington and Edmund Michalak, Roseville; 9 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Aug. 16, 1997, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grayling with Reverend Robert W. Nalley officiating. Pallbearers were Cy Aaron Wakeley, Michael Moshier, Richard Moshier, Brock Denton, Richard Schreiber, Terry Nielson, Billy Williams and John Hirvela. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery. Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Her family suggests memorials directed to the Grayling Co-op Pre-school.

Card of Thanks

Dear Friends,

I would like to thank all of my friends in the Grayling area for their kindness and support after the passing of my father.

A special thanks goes to my co-workers, and my supervisors, the Crawford County Commissioners. You all made this difficult time a little easier to handle.

Sincerely,
Pat Merrill

Albert W. Kesteloot

Albert W. Kesteloot, 64, of Grayling, died August 30, 1997 at Munson Medical Center, Traverse City.

Mr. Kesteloot was born in Chicago, Illinois, to Albert J. and Esther (Mundy) Kesteloot of Brackettville, Texas on March 21, 1933. He was preceded in death by his father Albert J. Kesteloot.

Mr. Kesteloot lived in Grayling for 32 years and was Tank Technician for MATES. He went to school in Hillman and spent many years hunting and fishing there. Albert was a member of the Eagles Club, Past commander of American Legion Post 106, Grayling Knights of Columbus. He previously resided in Rochester and Hillman.

He is survived by his wife Lois Berry Kesteloot; two sons: Mark Kesteloot and his wife Robin of Brackettville, Tex., and Robert Kesteloot, of Keystone, Colo.; three daughters: Kathy and her husband Marty Marrone of Empire, Colo.; Margaret and her husband Wayne Wright of Keystone, Colo., and JoAnn Kesteloot of San Diego, Cal.; step children, Warren and his wife Carol Hatfield of Aztec, N.M.; Terry Hatfield of Bozeman, Mont.; Barry and his wife Jennie Hatfield of Grayling; Brad and his wife Cathy Hatfield of West Branch; Carol and her husband Mike Kelly of Grayling; brother Paul and his wife Shirley Kesteloot of Rochester.; eighteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside Services were held on Tuesday, Sept. 2, 1997 at 1 p.m. Officiated by Chaplain Arthur Thayer, with Military Rites by Michigan National Guard and the American Legion.

The family suggests memorials be directed to the American Legion Scholarship Fund or Crawford County Library.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel.

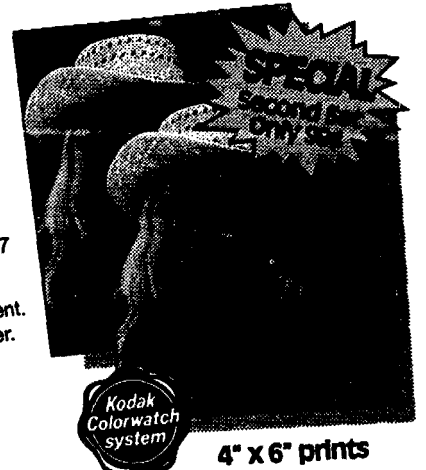
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Said premises are situated in Township of **Frederic**, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots Numbered 15 and 16, White Pine Estates, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 30, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 21, 1997
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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD Regular Meeting of August 12, 1997

Members present: Melvin Nunn, Ruth O'Mara, Monica Ashton, Terry Wright. Members absent: John Medler. Others present: Neal Michal, Debra Michal Baker, Dale E. French, Bud Fritts, Jill Ritter, Paul Thomson, Kathleen Hibbard, Lynnette Corlew, Teresa Furst, Joe Fernigan.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Wright.
Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to approve minutes of July 8, 1997, and August 4, 1997 Special Meeting as presented. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report for July was read and placed on file.

Correspondence: (No action required) Crawford County Board of Comm. minutes for July 22, 1997. Thank you from Canoe Marathon Committee Business.

Grayling Township does not have a Blue Cross Blue Shield agent although cost of this service is included in monthly premiums. Cornell Agency of Grayling and Matrix Surplus Agency of Traverse City have offered to provide these agent services which include: Helping with claims, discussing new coverages/benefits, billing questions, general questions and helping with paperwork.

Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to notify to notify Blue Cross that Grayling Township authorizes Paul Thomson #5459 of the Cornell Agency, Inc. of Grayling, as its agent of record and as our service representative. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Motion by Ashton, support by O'Mara, to adopt the following resolution in memory of Donald M. Jansen Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

In memorial of Donald M. Jansen 1923-1997: Whereas, the success of township government is dependent upon the willingness of its citizens to devote a share of their talents and their time in the interest of good government; and whereas Donald M. Jansen served Grayling Township on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals since Nineteen Hundred and Sixty Nine; and:

Whereas, over these twenty-eight years. He served with devotion, loyalty, honor and distinction, sometimes at sacrifice of his own pursuits and to his family.

Therefore be it resolved, that the Grayling Township Board, with a profound sense of loss, records herein the death of their esteemed colleague and friend, Donald M. Jansen, on July tenth, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Seven; and; Be it further resolved, that the Board's sincere sympathy be conveyed to Don's family by this resolution in its original form; and that a copy be published and remain a permanent part of the official minutes of the meeting of the Grayling Township Board held on the twelfth day of August, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Seven.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Nunn, to appoint Curtis W. Jansen to fill the remaining term of Donald M. Jansen on the Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

On February 25, 1997, the Executive Director of the Bureau of Construction Codes conducted a performance evaluation of the code enforcement program with Grayling Township at Supervisor Wright's request.

The purpose of the evaluation was to determine the adequacy of the local code enforcement program and to set forth recommendations for the improvement of code administration within the township.

Copies of the recommendations made and the building department's proposed changes to meet these recommendations have been provided. The Building Dept. is requesting that the Township Board adopt these changes in policy, forms and fee schedule enabling us to be in full compliance with the state recommendations.

The Building Dept. is also requesting that the Board approve the purchase of Equalizer software to automate the Building Dept. This software was recommended during the audit.

Motion by Ashton, support by O'Mara, that the changes in policy, forms and fee schedule

proposed by the Bldg. Dept. to comply with recommendations of the State Bureau of Construction Codes be adopted and documentation be forwarded to said Bureau. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Neal Michal of International Computer Consultants, outlined the basics of the Equalizer Software recommended by the Bureau of Construction Codes auditor for automating the Building Dept. The Permit Systems Software is \$2595.00 and installation and training is \$400.00.

Mr. Michal has been working with the Bldg. Dept. and is recommending that we consider purchasing a lap-top computer and digital camera to aid in field work. This purchase should not be made until the Permit System Software is in place and requirements of the new equipment can be determined.

Motion by Nunn, support by Ashton, that Equalizer Permit System Software and training be purchased for the Building Dept. at the quoted price of \$2995.00. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to change the regular September Township Board meeting date from Tuesday, September 9, 1997 to Wednesday, September 10, 1997, due to conflict with sportsplex Special Election on the ninth. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to authorize \$150 ad for tourism promotion in GAVC/Snowmobile Assoc. Crawford County and adjacent area map once it is determined whether the contribution is a legal community promotion under state law. One hundred maps will be provided to the Township and could be sold for \$1.50 each to recoup the funds. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Supervisor has been notified that the Crawford County Building Dept. has requested permission from the State of Michigan to begin doing its own mechanical and plumbing inspections and no longer utilize state inspectors. When this occurs Grayling Township will no longer have access to the state inspectors. Crawford County has offered to take over Grayling Township plumbing and mechanical inspections at that time.

Motion by Nunn, support by O'Mara, to authorize Supervisor Wright to notify the

Crawford County Board of Commissioners that Grayling Township does not support their inspections being done at the County level and if State level inspections are eliminated we will pursue permission to conduct inspections through the Grayling Township Building Dept. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motioned carried.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Nunn, to schedule public hearings for renewal of Shangri-la, N. Horseshoe Trail and Diamond Road Special Assessment Districts for September 10, 1997 beginning at 7 p.m. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Requests for placement on September 10, 1997 Township Board agenda: Wright: Project Specific Recreation Plan for Grayling Township. O'Mara: Township Hall parking lot expansion. O'Mara: Township Hall parking lot expansion. Nunn: Sponsor contest to design Grayling Township flag. Wright: Vehicle lease estimates. Supervisor's Report:

Wright presented bill for portion of work on Shaw Park Road completed by the Road Commission for Crawford County that was not previously authorized by this board. No motion to authorize payment was offered.

Wright has received request that the Township consider passing a garage sale ordinance and/or permit requirement due to some cases of garage and yard sales continuing over long periods of time. Consensus: Draft sample and bring back mid-winter.

Crawford County Transportation Authority Report by O'Mara: Removing building and gas tanks from airport. Reviewing Dial-A-Ride policy and procedures.

Motion by O'Mara, support by Ashton, to approve payment of bills on vouchers 18784 through 18842, Guardian Dental \$482.20. Liquor Inspections \$90.00, Board and Comm. fees \$260.00 for a total of \$77,638.50. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Ashton, support by O'Mara, carried. Ayes: four. Nays: none. Absent: one.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

NEWS 348-6811

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on September 15, 1997, at 7 pm in the Township Office, 2090 Viking Way, to hear the following case:

CASE 97-8: Michael Hagar, petitioner
Earl Oltesvig, owner
T26N, R3W, Sec. 9
Lots 26, 27, 28 Beaver Island Sub.
Juniper Way
NRD Zone

A request to construct a residence with attached garage. Closest point of construction 74' from Mud Creek, a variance of 26', and 58' from the canal, a variance of 42'.

Tentative text and zoning maps may be examined at the Township Office during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI. 49738. Telephone (517) 348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton,
Township Clerk

INVITATION FOR BIDS

1. NOTICE:
The Grayling Housing Commission is accepting sealed subcontractor proposals for the "1996" CIAP site construction, flooring and electrical, plumbing and heating projects. The Grayling Housing Commission will be acting as General contractor for this scope of work.

2. SCOPE:
1. The replacement of existing underground utilities.
2. The replacement of concrete walks as indicated.
3. Miscellaneous landscaping.
4. Removal and disposal of tile and carpeting and installation of new vinyl and carpet floor covering.
5. The replacement of selected mechanical, electrical and plumbing.

3. TIME:
Proposals from Contractors will be received by the Grayling Housing Commission for the above work until 2 pm (local time) on Friday, September 5, 1997, at the Grayling Housing Commission, 308 Lawndale Drive, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

4. OWNER'S RIGHT TO REJECT PROPOSALS:
The Housing Commission has the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities in the proposals submitted.

5. DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:
The contract documents (plans and specifications) are on file at the office of the Owner and Architect. Sets will be available to Contractors for a refundable check deposit of \$25 each, made payable to the Grayling Housing Commission. Deposits will be returned only if the documents are returned in good condition within two weeks after proposal's due date.

Contractors may stop at the office of the Grayling Housing Commission to receive the contract documents. In addition, the documents will also be available for review at the following locations:

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308 Lawndale Drive
Grayling, MI 49738
(517) 348-9314

Architect's office:
M.C. Smith Associates and Architectural Group, Inc.
529 Greenwood Avenue S.E.
East Grand Rapids, MI 49506
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Builder's Exchange
4461 Cascade Road S.E.
Grand Rapids, MI 49506
(616) 949-8650

All questions about the contract documents are to be directed to the office of the Architect, M.C. Smith Associates and Architectural group, Inc., 529 Greenwood Avenue S.E., East Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506, (616) 451-3346. Attention: Don Smalligan or Mark Miller.

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| 2. Dallas | 8. Cincinnati | 14. Washington |
| 3. Minnesota | 9. St. Louis | 15. Oklahoma St. |
| 4. New England | 10. Denver | 16. Washington St. |
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Game 14	_____	_____
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Game 17	_____	_____
Game 18	_____	_____

Tiebreaker 1 (total points scored in game 1) _____

Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 18) _____

Tiebreaker 3 (total points scored in game 9) _____

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3. Completed entry blanks must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 p.m. Friday before each week's games. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Mail to Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI, 49738.
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- *\$50 off any purchase--Abel Auto Parts
- *\$50 gift certificate--Comfort Center
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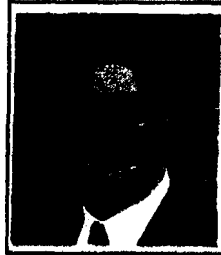


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Both are presently working in the Flint area. The bride is a registered nurse, completing her Bachelor's degree at the University of Michigan-Flint. The groom is completing his residency in a medical program.

Parenting workshops offered by New Life Reverend to put on free classes on parental issues

New Life Community Service announced that it is offering a series of workshops dealing with parenting issues this September.

Each workshop will deal with individual topics. How to prepare a child for the future/addressing important issues with children, teaching children self discipline/learning responsibility, and communicating with the family/increasing communication skills are some of the topics that will be discussed.

The facilitator of the parenting groups, Rev. Jacquie Guernsey, is a parent of four children, has been a public school teacher for 26 years, and a family counselor for eight years.

The dates and topics of these workshops are as follows: "Preparing Your Child For The Future" (How to make the right choices in today's world), Monday evening: 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on Sept. 8; "Teaching Children Self Discipline" (How to face the consequences of one's own behavior), Wednesday morning: 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. on Sept. 10; and "Communication in the family" (How to listen and understand others), Monday evenings: 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on Sept. 15.

These Workshops are offered free of charge due to a grant from the Strong Families/Safe Children Service at 517-348-2544. Pre-registration is required.

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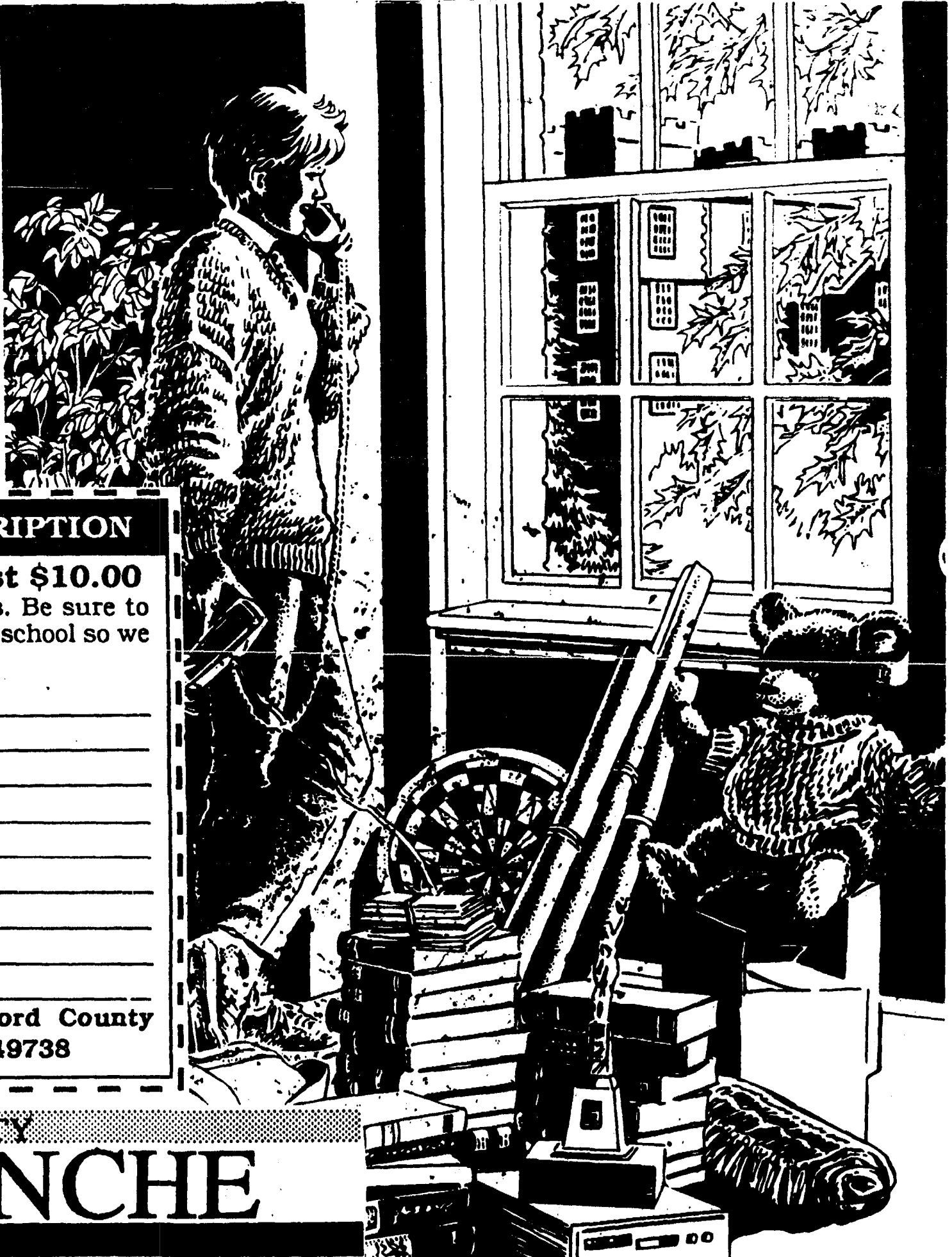
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To keep children safe, the Michigan Safe Kids Coalition offers some safety tips for driving to school or participating in car pools.

Always use child safety seats and/or safety belts correctly every time you ride. Remain belted until exiting the vehicle. Children who have outgrown a convertible seat (approximately 40-80 pounds, usually 4 to 8) should use a booster seat. Never carry more passengers than there are safety belts in the vehicle.

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The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located North of County Rd. 612, East of Guthrie Lake, South of Old State Rd. 618, and West of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.).

The Range 40 Complex, located North of County Rd. 612, East of Sherman Road, South of Old State Rd. 618, and West of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Mortar firing and military maneuvers will be conducted.

Small Arms Ranges located West of Lake Margrethe, North of Howe Rd., East of the gas pipeline and South of Portage Creek.

Michigan Lottery partners with community banks

In a move geared to boost service to lottery players in Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula, the Michigan Lottery announced Aug. 29 a new partnership with a number of community banks.

According to Michigan Lottery Commissioner Bill Martin, this partnership will allow Lottery winners of up to \$50,000 to claim their prize winnings at a local bank, instead of at one of only two Lottery regional offices currently serving the area.

"We're always looking for new ways to improve service and make the Lottery more accessible to our players," Martin said.

"Instead of traveling five or six hours to a regional office, submitting the claim, driving all the way back home, and then having to wait a day or two to do their banking, winners throughout the northern Lower Peninsula and Upper Peninsula can now simply process the claim at a local bank and collect their winnings on the spot," Martin said. "It truly is same-day service."

The Lottery regional office in Grayling and Marquette will no longer serve the regions. Aug. 29 was the official last day of operation for those offices. This was the last day, since the closing date was scheduled for Sept. 2.

"The closing of any office is not an easy decision to make," said Martin. "But one of the Lottery's chief goals is to serve our players in the best way possible. By joining forces with a solid network of community banks, I believe we're doing just that."

The claim process will operate in much the same way it did at regional offices. Winners must still present a valid winning ticket, photo identification and proof of Social Security number.

As of press time, a total of 17 bank branches were released by the Michigan Lottery as being banks which will accept winning tickets in the northern Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula.

The closest banks for Crawford County residents at this time are two branches in Gaylord. The two branches are the First National Bank of Gaylord. One branch is located at 501 West Main Street in Gaylord and the other branch is located at 1157 South Otsego in Gaylord.

Participating banks were scheduled to begin accepting winner claims beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 2. As more area banks begin to assist the Michigan Lottery with processing prize claims, new affiliations will be announced by Lottery officials.

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Local lottery office closes

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pay-out plan, Egan said. It is estimated that there will be about 20 when the final list is released.

The Upper Peninsula also is going through the same new plan with the closure of the Marquette office. Banks in the Upper Peninsula are participating in the new pay-out technique.

Egan pointed out that another reason the closings occurred was due to the early retirement of some of the Lottery employees. Those who did not take early retirement were offered other jobs with state agencies.

Most of the Grayling office employees have accepted the offered positions, Egan said, explaining that he believed that one local employee was searching for a different job so she could remain in the area.

The lease of the building which housed the Grayling Lottery regional office is still a factor. According to Egan, the building probably will be taken over by another state agency. The building is located at 200 Huron Street in Grayling.

County votes to reinvent itself

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cooperation of all elected and appointed department heads to make this a success."

Mike Dunkel, chief deputy clerk for the county, also agreed. "This restructuring needs to be done. Our first responsibility to Crawford County is to meet our statutory requirements, and this action should put us nearer that goal," he said.

The county board also determined there was a great need for the county to hire an administrator in the near future. As Anderson Tackman's recommendations begin to light the way, the parameters for this new position should be made clearer. It is anticipated that the responsibilities coming with this job package will include union interaction, meeting contractual obligations, billing, taking control of central purchasing, budgeting and giving some relief to other department heads.

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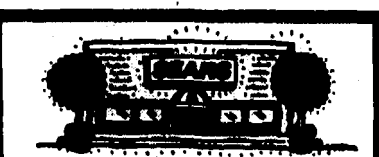
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Section B Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, September 4, 1997

Safety a big issue in reconfiguration of local roads, intersection

Utility companies handle relocation of various lines

by Shirley D. Schmooch,
Special Writer

"Probably thousands of 'near misses' have met unsuspecting motorists at the corner," said Terry Wright, Grayling Township Supervisor, when asked how he viewed the plan to reconfigure M-93 and Ole Dam Road at M-72 west of Grayling.

"The corner can be very dangerous and confusing, and this is a great opportunity to make a difference, safety-wise," he said. "Everybody should be grateful this project has been approved so quickly."

Shortly after the project began, a GTE phone cable was accidentally cut and needed to be spliced. This happened accidentally as a large oak stump was being removed.

In August of 1956, a young man named Richard Leo Nelson hit this

tree and died instantly of a fractured skull and broken neck. He left behind a wife and four young children. His parents were Tracy Nelson and Agnes Gendron Nelson of Grayling. Richard was 28. This project was more than 40-years late in coming for Nelson.

Since June 1, 1996 to June 27, 1997 alone, 18 serious accidents have been reported at this intersection. The Crawford County Sheriff's Department said those were only the accidents of record, while the office estimated the actual number of "unreported fenderbenders" were many times that number.

Mark Hartman, owner of the Ole Dam Party Store which is located at the intersection, said, "I'm so glad they're moving that road. I was especially pleased when we were included in the decision-making

process. The County and State officials took us into consideration even though they didn't need our permission to rebuild the corner."

Fortunately, this dangerous, often-treacherous corner is fast becoming a thing of the past; a piece of Crawford County's history which no one will miss. With unusually swift consensus, an agreement was reached recently between the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Road Commission for Crawford County, Grayling Township officials, and private landowner, Rick Harland. The paperwork was efficiently dispatched so the project could be completed yet this fall. A six week timetable was to be the target.

Coming to terms and prepared to walk this short time line were local or area utility providers — AT&T, GTE, C-Tec Cable, Consumers Power and MichCon. The scope of their collective construction requirements was not only going to be expensive, but each step had to be orchestrated with great care.

Located at the four corners of the project area is a curious mix of utility poles, power lines, and various cables. A network of cables is buried underground, and the complexity of this network is equal to, if not greater than, the lines overhead. The job of the utility companies, of course, is to move and or relocate their respective lines, mains and cables so the project can proceed. Utility companies do not usually own the land on which they place their equipment.

To convey a bit of what this move would eventually mean to the utility companies, Michigan Trenching of Ypsilanti found in one small area, an AT&T fiber optic cable lying beneath and perpendicular to a MichCon gas main, a C-Tec cable line along side a GTE phone cable, also a fiber optic feeder; all four lines were within three feet of each other — under the ground. To enhance this equation, add four days of hard rain and a deep trench fast-filling with surface water. A pump had to be brought to the site so the workmen could begin to accomplish their intricate maneuvering.

The AT&T fiber optic cable is a line servicing telephone transmissions westward through Wisconsin. One single strand — a hair width in size — carries 48,000 date-voice transmissions, and this particular cable lying beneath the construction area contains 24-strands. It had to be spliced, re-encased in new steel housing, and a man hole was lowered on site to provide for its future safety and ease of servicing by the utility.

Another circumstance met with and resolved almost as quickly as it occurred was a nick in MichCon's gas line; a line also servicing Grayling and westward. "The gas line", according to Bob Mogle, corrosion control specialist for the company, "will be hot-tapped and the damaged section replaced. A by-pass link will be

inserted, and the fracture will no longer be a problem."

Jerry Wieman, AT&T Operations Supervisor, watched each move the technicians made from slicing and removing the old casing from the cable to bolting a new one in place. "When Roy (Howell) lowered that manhole, my heart really was up in my throat," he admitted. "Working that close to a gas line can make a man age."

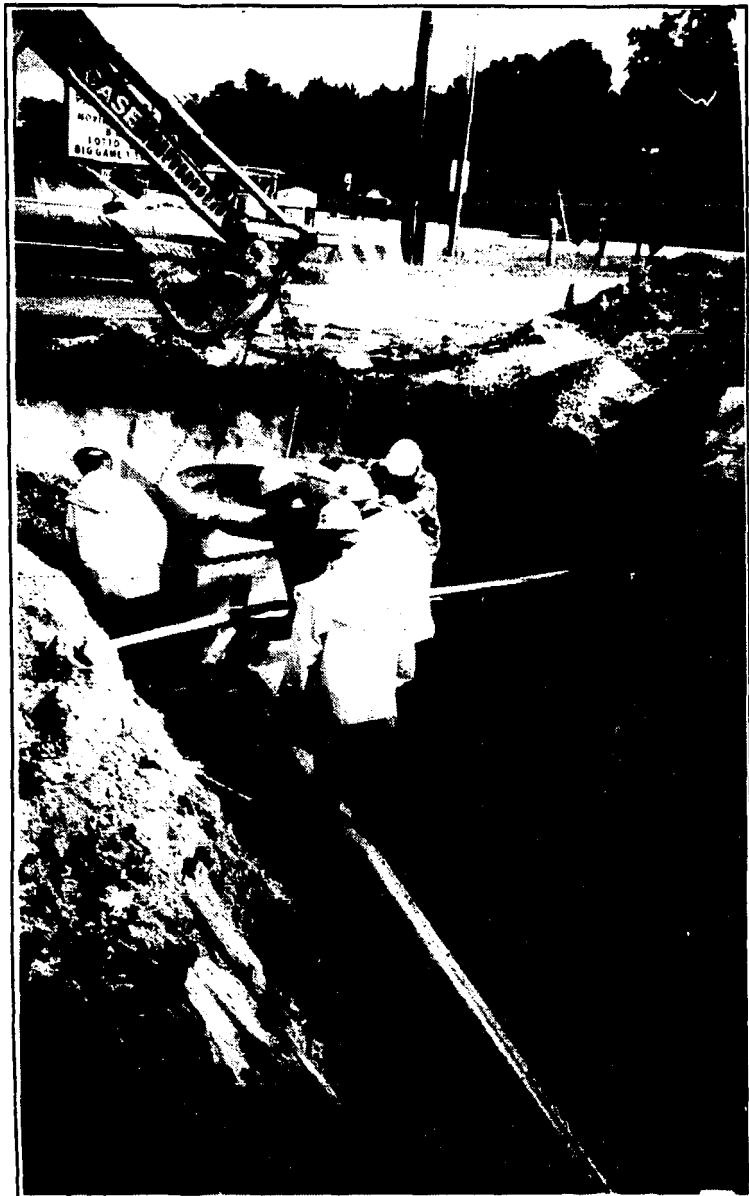
The trenching and placing of the cement culverts and storm drains is being done by the county, the plan being to eliminate much of the standing water at that corner. When it rains, the slope from M-93 is downward into the intersection. Heavy volumes of storm water cannot exit the area in a timely manner, and in the past, it has collected either in the parking lot of the Ole Dam Party Store and/or in the parking area of the Milltown Feed located on the west side of the Ole Dam Road.

When asked how the reconfiguration of this intersection would help the flooding, Howard Haselschwardt, project engineer, said "reference to the hydrology studies told us that we needed five new catch basins and we could expect to elevate Ole Dam Road somewhat. We won't eliminate the flooding entirely, but better drainage and a more efficient flow should help greatly. Gravity is actually the key to the whole thing."

In an area well known for its forest of utility poles, its odd-angled confusion, and its two blinking-solid traffic signals, the standing water or ice packs in winter were additional hazards. Jim Briney, Managing Director for the Road Commission said "enhanced safety at this corner was our primary consideration, and the money was available to complete the entire project. MDOT and Grayling Township put in \$25,000 each for paving, curb and gutter, and the Road Commission was able to contribute another \$24,000 with in-kind services."

Ann McMillan lives in the Sherwood Forest area and uses Ole Dam Road to enter M-72. "I've nearly gotten killed at that corner and so have my children," she said when asked about her experience. "Getting the kids go to school in the wintertime is the worst. The ice and snow pile up when the plows are out, and half the people run the red light. I'm just delighted that it's finally been given a high priority."

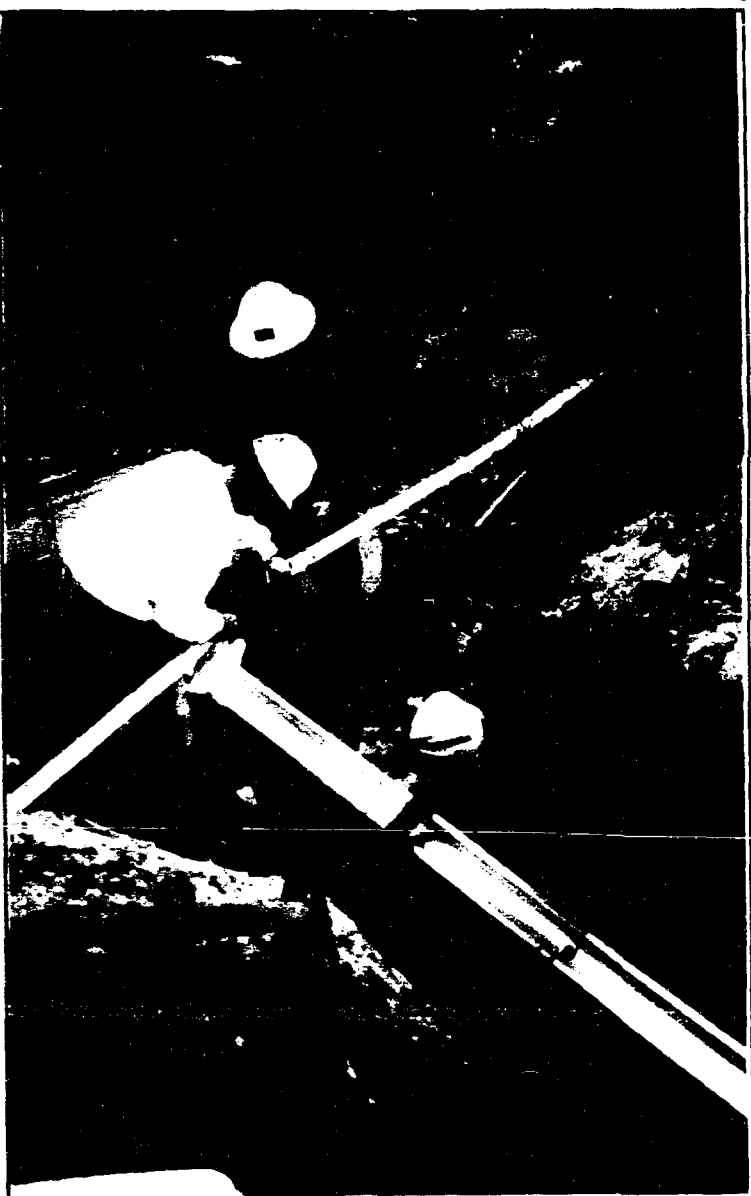
When completed, the roadway will have a single traffic light. The jagged edge between M-93 and Ole Dam Road will become a gently curve, and M-72 will be widened to accommodate a left turn lane, a through lane, and a turn lane onto Ole Dam Road. Curb and gutter will be installed and the drainage ditches and construction areas will be graded and restored.



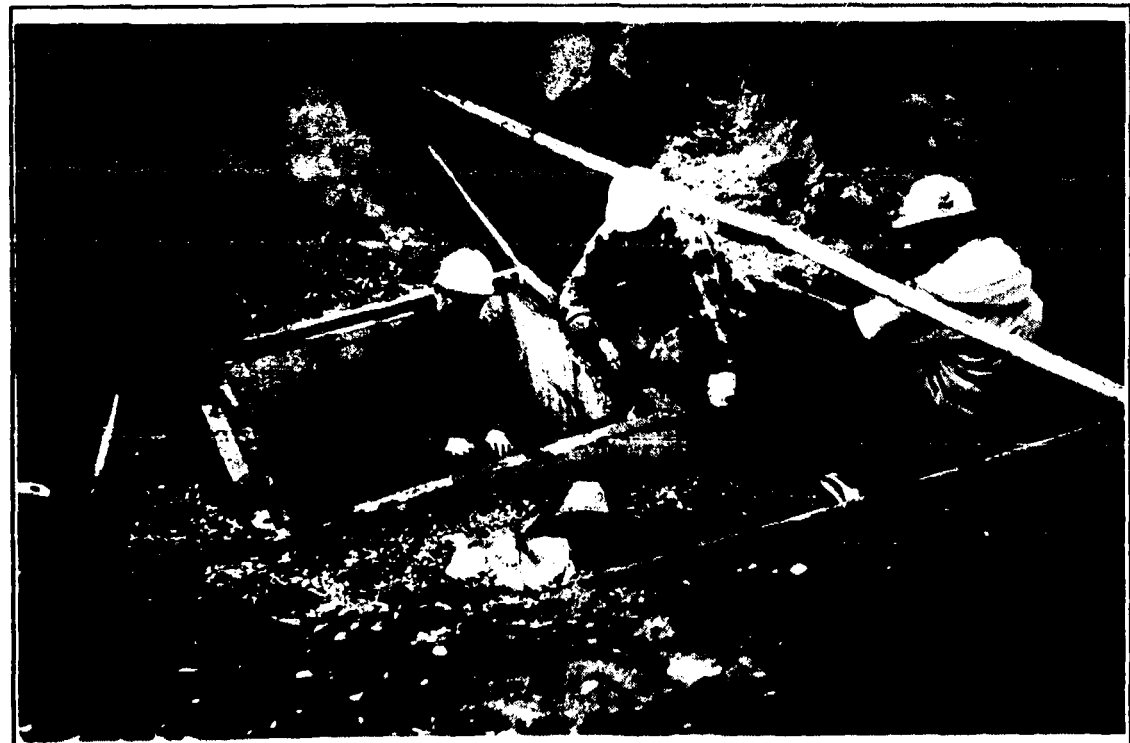
NEW MANHOLE — AT&T crewmen and others position the mid section of concrete manhole which will house the fiber optic cable. The work is part of the road work at the intersection of M-93 and M-72 at Old Dam Road.



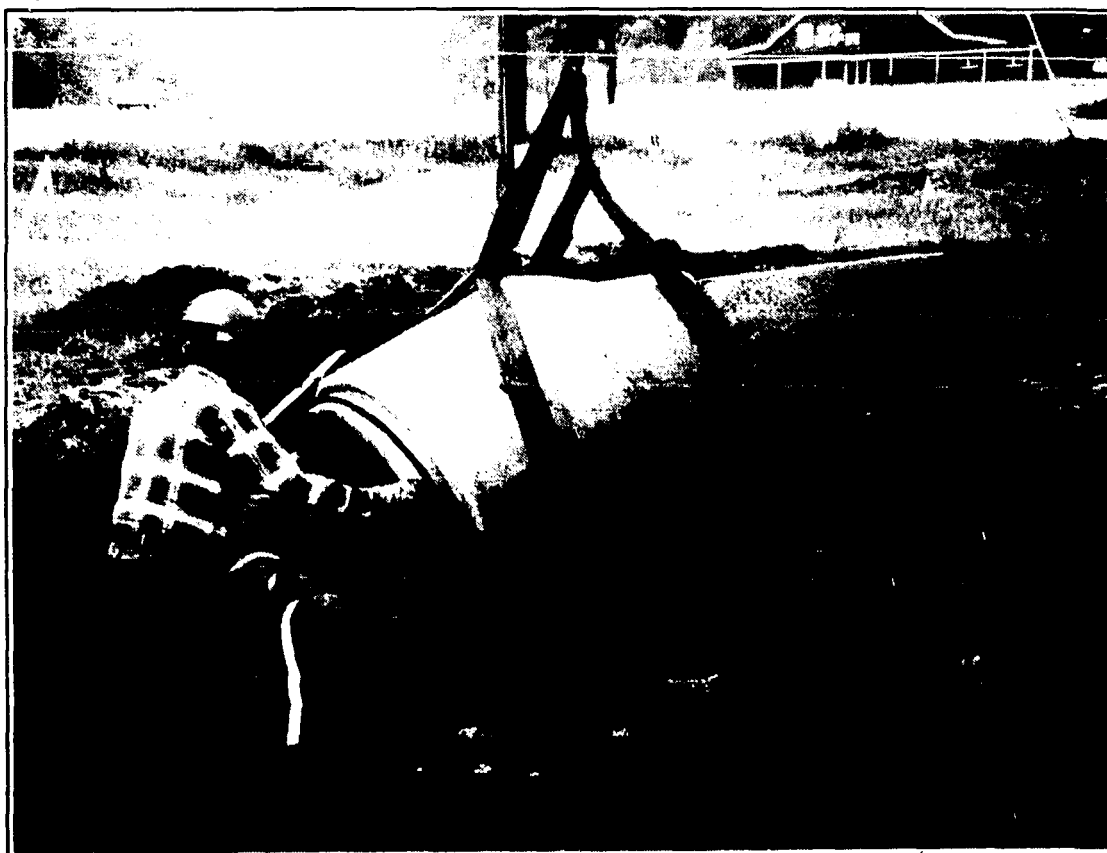
SURVEY WORK — A bunch of survey work had to be done so the intersection could be changed and straightened. Pictured, a surveyor from Haselshwardt Engineering gets ready to examine the area.



MAJOR PROJECT — With any major project such as this one, problems arise. Michigan trenching employees are shown examining the damage to the MichCon gas main. Officials have said one of the toughest and most expensive aspects of the project involve the moving of the utilities.



OPTIC CABLE — Jerry Wieman and AT&T crewmen work to secure a fiber optic cable in concrete vault.



DRAIN FIXTURE — Jerry Bishop and Lee Danner, of Crawford County, position the end section of the storm drain at the intersection.

1997 FALL SPORTS

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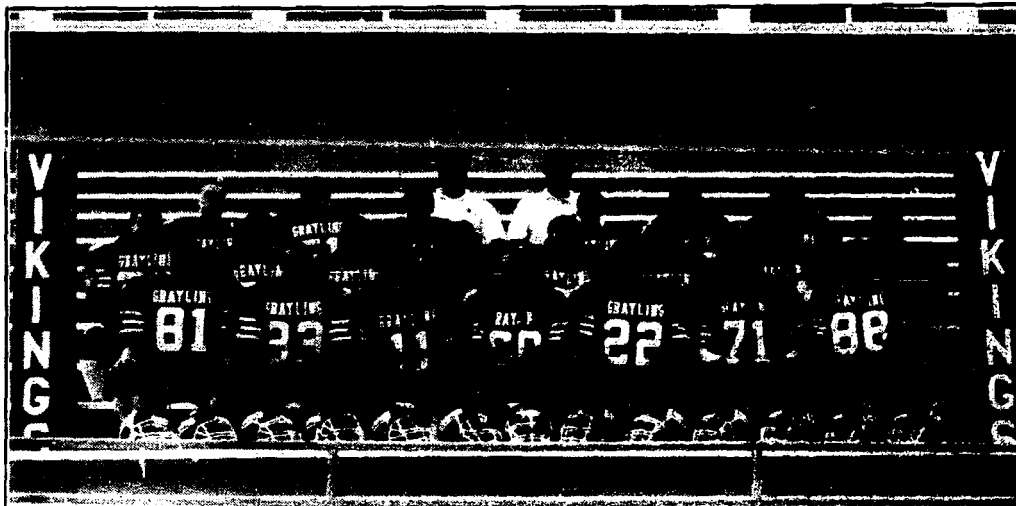
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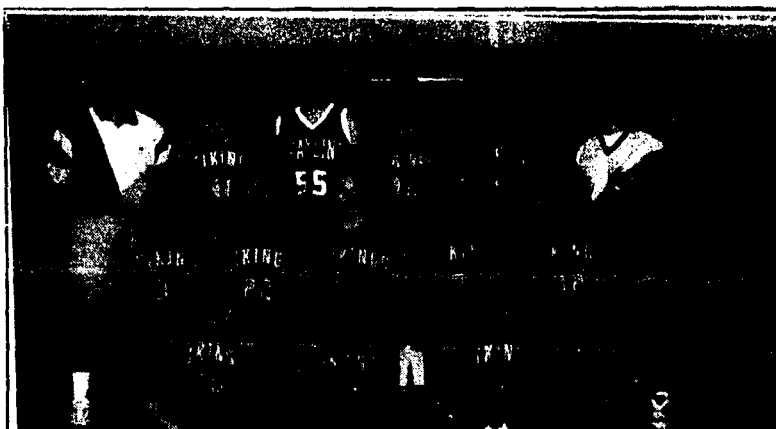
VARSITY FOOTBALL — The 1997 varsity Viking football team consists of (front, from left): Brad Ritter, Jesse Hannum, Travis Parkinson, Ben Malonen, Joe Woidan, Rodney Silk, Nathan Hinkle, (second) Travis Beckett, Marc Kiefer, Jim Hannum, Travis Huber, Shane Colby, Chad Ellis, Tony Reimer, Casey Heisel, (third) Nathan Beckwith, Pete Mead, Matt LaForest, Eli Tobin, Scott Bowers, Brandon Gabriel, (back) Coach Dan Benkert and Head Coach Rodney Patterson. Missing from photo is Coach Doug Pummell.

BOYS VARSITY GOLF

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 20	Boyer City	Away	8:00 am
August 25	Fairview	Home	4:00 pm
August 26	West Branch	Away	4:00 pm
September 2	T. C. St. Francis & Glenn Lake @ T.C. St. Francis	Away	4:00 pm
September 4	Gladwin	Home	4:00 pm
September 9	Tawas	Away	4:00 pm
September 11	Pinconning	Home	4:00 pm
September 15	McBain	Away	4:30 pm
September 16	Oscoda	Away	4:00 pm
September 18	Bay City John Glenn	Home	4:00 pm
September 23	Standish Sterling	Away	4:00 pm
September 25	Saginaw Valley Luth.	Home	4:00 pm
September 26	Gaylord Invitational	Away	9:30 am
October 2	Fairview	Away	4:00 pm
October 8	NEMC Championship	TBA	
October 10	MHSAA Regionals	TBA	
October 11	MHSAA Regionals	TBA	



VARSITY BASKETBALL — The members of the 1997 girls' Viking basketball team include (front, from left): Mandy Trudgeon, Kristie Cadeau, Jamie McGuire, Amy Godlewski, Carrie Cadeau, (back) Head Coach Chris Duncley, Brandy Ritter, Erin Mills, Brie Blaauw, Nicole Craigie and Mary Dobry. Missing for photo is Assistant Coach Gerry St. Germain.



JV BASKETBALL — The members of the 1997 junior varsity girls' Viking basketball team include (front, from left): Karen Wyman, Katelyn Roshy, Kathy Wyman, (middle) Andrea Elmy, Melanie Paxton, Andrea Kolka, Christie Duncley, Danielle McClanahan, (back) Head Coach Tom Trudgeon, Monica Kustra, Mika Sumner, Sarah McGuire, Jenny Phillips and Coach Jenny Swander.

VARSITY FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 5	Roscommon	Home	7:30
September 12	Houghton Lake	Away	7:30
September 19	Standish Sterling	Home	7:30
September 26	Bay City John Glenn	Home	7:30
October 3	West Branch	Away	7:30
October 10	Lincoln-Alcona	Away	7:30
October 17	Tawas	Home	7:30
October 24	Gladwin	Away	7:30
October 31	Saginaw Valley Lutheran	Home	7:30



BOYS GOLF — The members of the 1997 Viking boys' golf team include (front, from left): Mike Oswald, Mike Winters, Jason Potter, (middle) Marcus Bobenmoyer, Raymond Pyle, Eric Brinks, Max Schreiner, Justin Manier, Brad Gorski, (back) Rusty Strohpaal, Coach Ken Smith, Matt Mitchell, Travis Hulbert, Kevin Jansen, Robert Lawe, Jerry Roman, Nate Everson, Head Coach Herb Olson and Barry McClanahan.

VARSITY & JV GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 28	Roscommon	Away	6:00
September 4	West Branch	Home	6:15
September 9	Gladwin	Away	6:15
September 11	Tawas	Home	6:15
September 16	Pinconning	Away	6:15
September 18	Oscoda	Home	6:15
September 23	Bay City John Glenn	Away	6:15
September 25	Standish Sterling	Home	6:15
September 30	Saginaw Valley Luth.	Away	6:15
October 9	West Branch	Away	6:15
October 14	Gladwin	Home	6:15
October 16	Gaylord	Away	6:00
October 21	Tawas	Away	6:15
October 23	Pinconning	Home	6:15
October 28	Oscoda	Away	6:15
October 30	Roscommon	Home	6:00
November 4	Bay City John Glenn	Home	6:15
November 7 (Fri.)	Standish Sterling	Away	6:15
November 11	Saginaw Valley Luth.	Home	6:15
November 13	Gaylord	Home	6:00

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VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS

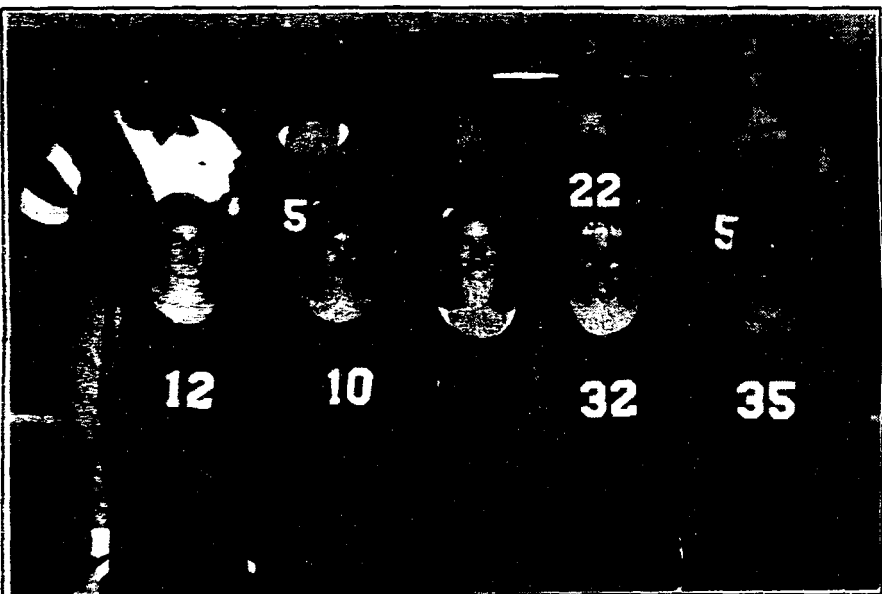
DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 25	Oscoda	Home	4:00
August 27	Harbor Springs	Home	4:00
September 3	Boyne City	Home	4:00
September 4	Cadillac	Away	4:00
September 8	T. C. St. Francis	Away	4:00
September 10	Traverse City	Home	4:00
September 12	Alpena	Away	4:00
September 15	Petoskey	Home	4:00
September 16	Bay City John Glenn	Home	4:00
September 18	Boyne City	Away	4:00
September 22	Cadillac	Home	4:30
September 24	Traverse City	Away	4:00
September 25	T. C. St. Francis	Home	4:30
September 29	Alpena	Home	4:00
September 30	Petoskey	Away	4:00
October 2	Bay City John Glenn	Away	4:00
October 10	Regionals	TBA	TBA

GIRLS TENNIS — The girls' tennis team for Grayling High School is made up of (front, from left): Tammella Strait, Marianne Vollmer, Sara Johnson, Amy Stevenson, Kim Hartman, Angela Fisher, (back) Brandy Plutko, Nicole Moggo, Erin Mills, Chris Floriano, Jean Zelek, Emily Weaver, Colby Davis and Coach Tom Mills.



FRESHMAN GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 8	West Branch	Away	6:15
September 10	Gladwin	Home	6:15
September 15	Tawas	Away	6:15
September 17	Pinconning	Home	6:15
September 22	Oscoda	Away	6:15
September 24	Bay City John Glenn	Home	6:15
September 29	Standish Sterling	Away	6:15
October 1	Saginaw Valley Luth.	Away	6:15
October 7	Gaylord	Home	6:30
October 8	West Branch	Home	6:15
October 13	Gladwin	Away	6:15
October 15	Tawas	Home	6:15
October 20	Pinconning	Away	6:15
October 22	Oscoda	Home	6:15
October 27	Bay City John Glenn	Away	6:15
October 30	Standish Sterling	Home	6:15
November 3	Saginaw Valley Luth.	Home	6:15
November 5	Lincoln-Alcona	Home	6:15
November 12	Gaylord	Away	6:30



SOCCER VARSITY BOYS

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
August 25	Bay City John Glenn	Away	5:00
August 27	Sag. Valley Luth.	Home	5:00
September 4	Gaylord	Away	4:00
September 8	Tawas	Away	5:00
September 10	Oscoda	Away	5:00
September 12	Leroy Pine River	Away	4:30
September 15	Pinconning	Home	5:00
September 17	West Branch	Home	5:00
September 22	Mackinaw Island	Away	5:00
September 24	Bay City John Glenn	Home	5:00
September 29	Saginaw Valley Luth.	Away	5:00
October 1	Tawas	Home	5:00
October 6	Oscoda	Home	5:00
October 8	Pinconning	Away	5:00
October 13	West Branch	Away	5:00
October 14	Gaylord	Home	4:00
October 15	Roscommon	Home	5:00

BOYS SOCCER — The members of the 1997 Viking boys' soccer team include (front, from left): Kane Madsen, Jon Haskel, Joshua Brannan, Derek Gregorich, (middle) Eric Thompson, Jeremy Jones, Ravi Ramaswamy, Michael Pappas, Joshua Niederer, (back) David Hawkins, Kyle Langseth, Nathan Ross, Joshua Petrie, Jeremy Millikin, Coach Karen Langseth. Missing from photo is Colin Hunter.



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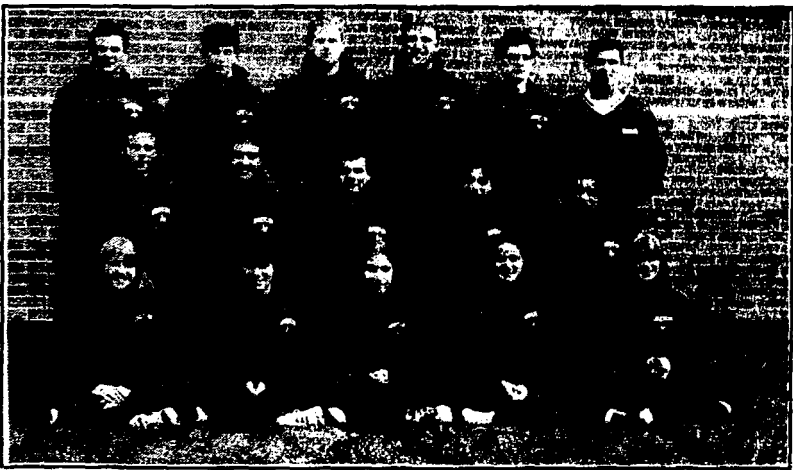
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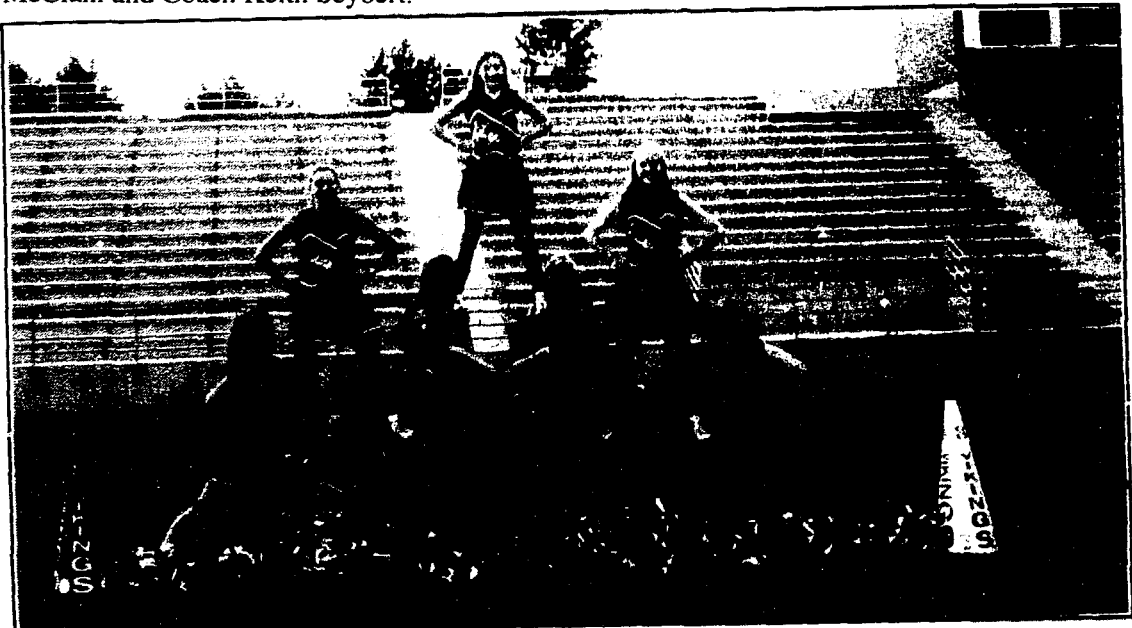
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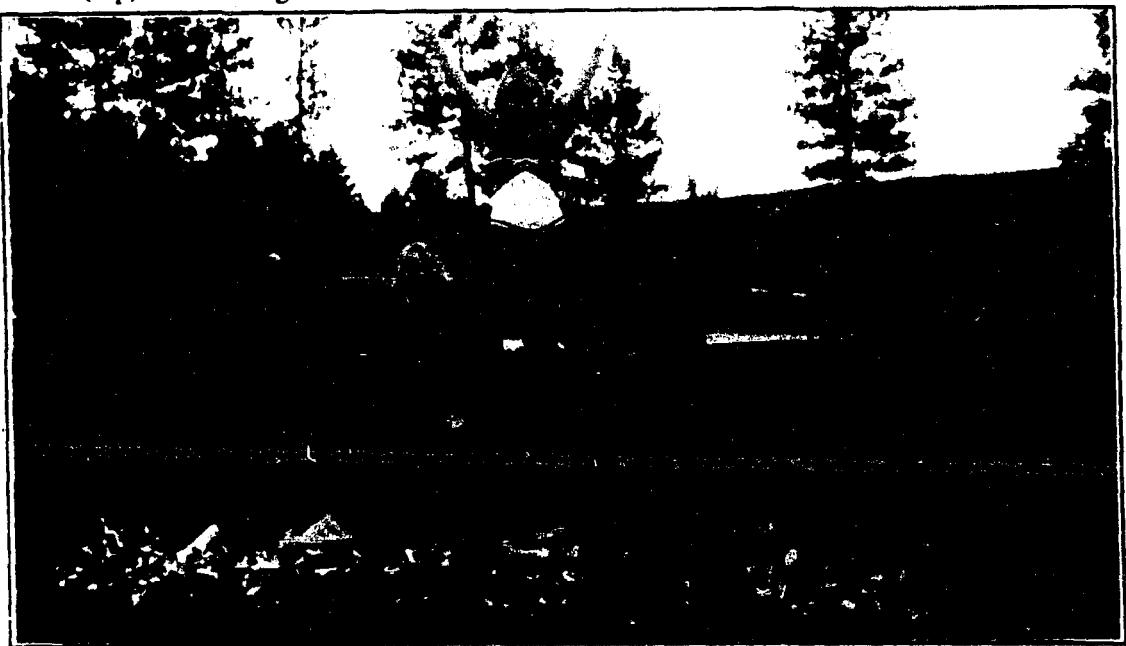
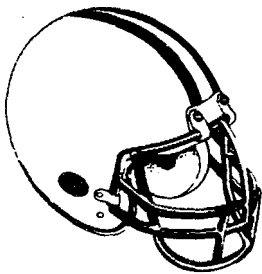
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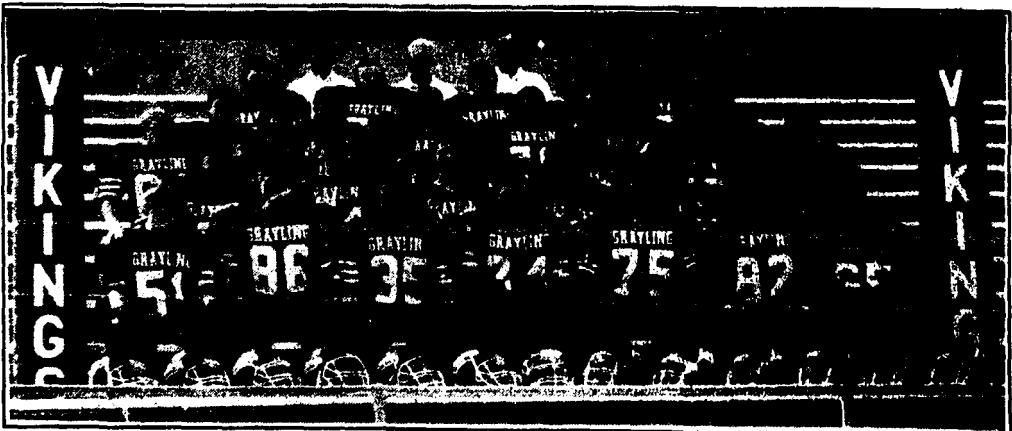
CROSS COUNTRY — The 1997 Viking cross country squad is made up of (front, from left): Brooke Ginther, Katie Olson, Amy Doherty, Mary Dobry, Carolyn Hellebuyck, (middle) Neil Jozsa, Jason Bored, James Jones, Paul Jansen, John McNamara, (back) Jared Medler, Brett Black, Adam Knapp, Armand Lawrence, Aaron McClain and Coach Keith Seybert.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS — The varsity cheerleaders for the 1997 Viking football season are (front, from left): Kathryn Fritz, Coach Chris Burrell, Heidie Wallace, (second) Amanda Love, Heather Hatfield, Tasha Carlisle, Tiffany Craigie, (third) Jessica Becks, Kelly Kiefer, Shannon Anglebrandt, Jamie Anderson and (top) Darci Trudgeon.



JV CHEERLEADERS — The junior varsity cheerleading squad is made up of (front, from left): Heather Potter, Angela Cooper, Janna Eddy, (middle) Jennifer Palmer, (back) Lindsay Knapp, Sara Weiman and Tabitha Harney. The JV cheerleaders are coached by Gail Belcher.



JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 4	Roscommon	Away	6:30
September 11	Houghton Lake	Home	6:30
September 18	Standish Sterling	Away	6:30
September 25	Bay City John Glenn	Away	6:30
October 2	West Branch	Home	6:30
October 9	Lincoln-Alcona	Home	6:30
October 16	Tawas	Away	6:30
October 23	Gladwin	Home	6:30
October 30	Saginaw Valley Lutheran	Away	6:30

CROSS COUNTRY VARSITY

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
September 1	NEMC Meet	Away	11:00 am
September 6	Charlevoix Classic	Away	10:00 am
September 9	Oscoda Jamboree #1	Away	TBA
September 13	T. C. Invitational	Away	9:00 am
September 30	Pinconning Jamboree #2	Away	TBA
October 3	Roscommon	Away	4:00 pm
October 4	Claire Martin Memorial @ Charlevoix	Away	9:30 am
October 8	Harrison	Away	4:00 pm
October 11	West Branch Invitational	Away	11:00 am
October 18	NEMC Meet @ Standish Sterling	Away	TBA
October 21	Gaylord	Away	4:00 pm



JV FOOTBALL — The 1997 junior varsity football team is made up of (front, from left): Ray Trudgeon, Mark Weaver, Jeremy Latuszek, Nick Baynham, Chris Peters, Carter Pavey, Brandon Cox, (second) Michael Demoinis, Chris Youngblood, Justin Neuberger, Cameron McClain, Jeff Rose, Levi Burkett, (third) Jason Collen, Larry Baker, Dan Hall, Matt Ginther, Ryan Mahaffy, Dave Golnick, Mike D'Amour, (fourth) Jason Arwood, Dusty Lohrer, Derek Quick, Victor Cde Baco, Kurt Reitter, Matt Kroell, (fifth) Sean Mitchell, Josh Quintano, Mike Arwood, William Armstrong, Dan Mead, (back) Coach Chris Kucharek, Coach Fred Wolcott and Coach Chuck Spencer. Missing from photo is Coach Doug Pummell.

SPORTS

Vikings get big basketball win in season opener at Roscommon

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Coach Chris Dunckley could not have dreamed of a better team effort or a better result to open the 1997 Grayling girls' basketball season.

The Vikings traveled to Roscommon and defeated the Bucks 62-59. The victory is a big confidence builder for the Grayling players, since Roscommon was a advanced to the state quarter finals last year in Class B.

"We knew Roscommon was going to be one of our biggest tests of the season," Dunckley said. "We figured if we could beat Roscommon, then we could have a pretty good season, as

long as we stay healthy."

Both teams played great defense throughout the contest. Neither team could hit a high percentage of their shots, because of the outstanding team defenses.

The Viking defense was led by point guard Mandy Trudgeon. The quick Grayling point guard finished with a triple double — 10 steals, 10 rebounds and 11 points.

Freshman Brandy Ritter lead the Viking offense with a game-high 22 points. Amy Godlewski added 12 points in the close game.

A good-sized and vocal crowd from Grayling traveled to watch the season

opener. Dunckley said the Grayling fans really came alive and inspired the girls during the game, especially down the stretch.

Grayling looked to be in trouble with 1:09 left in the game. The Vikings trailed the Bucks by five points.

Grayling was able to make up those five points during a six-second span. Godlewski drove to the hoop, made the basket and was fouled. She made the free throw to complete the three-point play. Ritter then stole the ball and was fouled. She hit the free throws to tie the game.

The Vikings continued the momentum to open up a three-point

lead. A last second three-point attempt by Roscommon was off the mark and Grayling got a huge victory.

It was truly a team effort for Grayling, as the 10-person roster all contributed to the win. Dunckley said the bench players filled in nicely when some of the Vikings got into foul trouble.

The Grayling basketball team will play its first league game on Thursday, Sept. 4. The Vikings will host Ogemaw Heights at the Grayling High School gymnasium.

Grayling soccer opens season with tie, tough loss

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

The Grayling High School boys' soccer team has already shown a lot of improvement from last season, and the Vikings have only played two games.

The soccer players have improved offensively and defensively. Last season, they had trouble scoring goals and gave up a lot of shots on goal. This year they have already scored more goals than last season and have reduced the average number of shots on goal they have given up.

The Vikings battled Bay City John Glenn on Aug. 25 for 110 minutes in the season and league opener. The two squads finished in a 3-3 tie after the 80 minutes of regulation play and two 15-minute, sudden death overtimes.

Grayling finished with eight shots on goal against John Glenn. Grayling goalkeeper David Hawkins finished with 21 saves in the contest.

Freshman co-captain Kyle Langseth led the Vikings with five shots on goal and two goals. Sophomore Mike Pappas had the other goal. Junior Eric Thompson finished with two assists and sophomore Josh Brannon added the other assist.

Langseth scored the first Viking goal off an assist from Brannon with 40 seconds left in the first half. Langseth got a break away, fired a hard shot that the goalkeeper could not control. Langseth picked up the rebound and followed up with a chip shot past the John Glenn keeper.

The Vikings tied the game up on Langseth's second score. Thompson threw the ball in from the right midfield. The ball was a perfect strike to Langseth making a curved run. Langseth chested the ball to the ground and drilled a shot over the goalie into the goal.

According to Coach Karen Langseth, co-captain Kane Madsen lead an inspired Viking defense from

his sweeper position. The number of shots from the opponent was down significantly from last year when 30 or more saves would have been required. Junior Colin Hunter also had an exceptional game. Coach Langseth said.

"We have some newcomers that have added to our team," Langseth said. "The returners have also really improved on their skills."

The coach was proud of the way her team played against the Bay City team which is full of juniors and seniors. The tie was even more impressive, since Grayling had to play one man short for the last 50 minutes of the contest because of the issuance of a red card for ungentlemanly conduct.

The Vikings looked like they were going to get a victory to go with the

opening tie, but a second half comeback gave Saginaw Valley Lutheran a 4-3 win. Grayling had led at halftime, 3-1.

Langseth again scored two goals and forward Pappas added the other Grayling score. Thompson added two assists.

"I though we played really well against Saginaw," Langseth said. "Especially since we were coming off of a long double overtime game."

According to the coach, age and physical size of the older players on Valley Lutheran were the differences in the comeback. The Vikings will improve these factors with experience in the season.

Grayling will travel to Gaylord on Thursday, Sept. 4. Game time is scheduled for 4 p.m.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Wednesday Womens' League

By Donna Thomson

On Aug. 27, the Wednesday Ladies had an absolutely beautiful, one of those rare "perfect" days for golf.

Our play for today was Scotch Doubles and we had so much fun. I found out one thing about my partner, Pat Jackman, and that is she is an awesome putter and I'm talking long, long hard putts. Not too many do so well under pressure.

The winners for today's play were: first place team of Lynda Hetrick and Katy McNamara. Second place went to Jeanette Kitchen and Mo McNamara and third place to JoAn Phillips and Shirley Schultz.

We had one chip-in and that was by Carolyn DiPonio on number 4.

Sherry Hanson was in charge of our election today and voting took place before lunch. Our two new members on the Board of Directors are Sue Brenner and Rita McClain. Also the new person on the golf committee is Deanne Weiss.

Good Luck to all of you next year and many thanks to those who are leaving the board and golf committee, we certainly appreciate all you have done.

Vonnie Addison announced that Nancy Hoffman is in charge of our Presidents Day next week and all the bases are covered and it should be a great day.

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**Boy's Soccer
Kyle Langseth**

Viking freshman Kyle Langseth, an offensive midfielder, led the Viking offense with four goals in two games. Langseth also is a co-captain of the young squad.

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This area can, on occasion, be the land of plenty and right now the blackberries are plenty thick, there for the taking and FREE!! For those two very good reasons, they are good!! Monday evening we took a ride down near the end of 7 Mile Road along the gas line and the berries were thick all along there. Other good places are in the orchard up near Frederic and along the gas line north of Cameron Bridge Road. Just get out and look around, and you will probably see some deer; they are always a welcome sight.

The squirrels are thick this year, if you like to hunt them. That season will open Sept. 15th. Get your guns ready!!

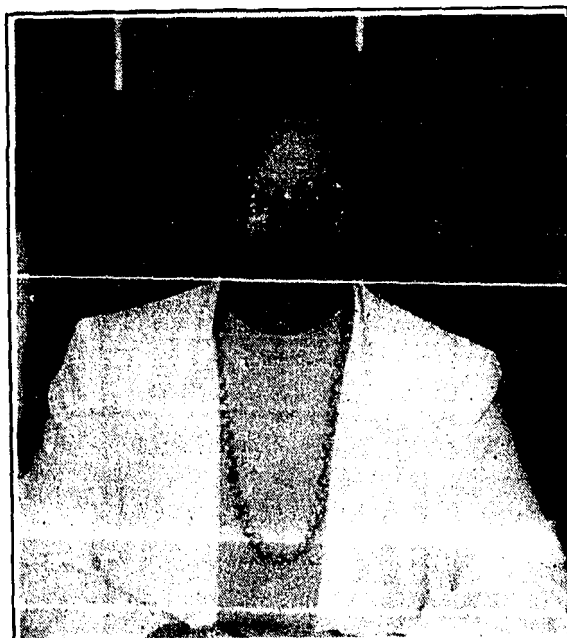
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Gridiron players prepare with hard work

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Fans of Grayling High School football can expect to see a group of "hard-working kids" during the 1997 season.

Head Coach Rodney Patterson said with a small roster, which the Vikings have, the players need to be hard workers, which they are. This squad of hard-working players will open its season on Friday, Sept. 5 by hosting Roscommon.

Those people who turn out for the Viking football games can also expect a wide-open offense.

"We want to open up the offense and spread it around," Patterson said. "We want to be near a 50-50 balance (between passing and running plays)."

Grayling will run a form of the veer offense with multiple sets.

Junior quarterback Nate Beckwith (6-1, 165 pounds) will lead the offense. When Beckwith isn't throwing the ball, he will have four different running backs to hand the ball off to.

Chad Ellis (5-10, 155 pounds), Joe Woidan (6-0, 185 pounds), Shane Colby (5-10, 190 pounds) and Jesse Hannum (5-9, 155 pounds) will rotate in and out of the Viking backfield. Patterson said that all of these running backs have ability, so the coaching staff will rotate them.

When Beckwith does drop back to pass, he will be looking for junior wide receiver Matt LaForest (6-1, 185 pounds) and sophomore wide receiver Nate Hinkle (6-3, 165 pounds). Beckwith also will look to tight end Brad Ritter (6-2, 185 pounds) for completions.

The major area that saw a number of key losses to graduation last year was

the offensive line. This year's group is very young and inexperienced. The coaches will be looking for big things from senior guard Ben Malonen (5-10, 165 pounds) and junior tackle Travis Beckett (6-0, 190 pounds).

Due to the smaller, quicker players on this year's team, the coaching staff has switched to a stunt four defense with some five-man fronts thrown in. Patterson said the team can take advantage of its speed with more kids in the stand-up position, so more four-

man fronts will be used.

The Vikings are entering a new conference this year—the North East Michigan Conference. The football schedule is filled with a lot of new opponents.

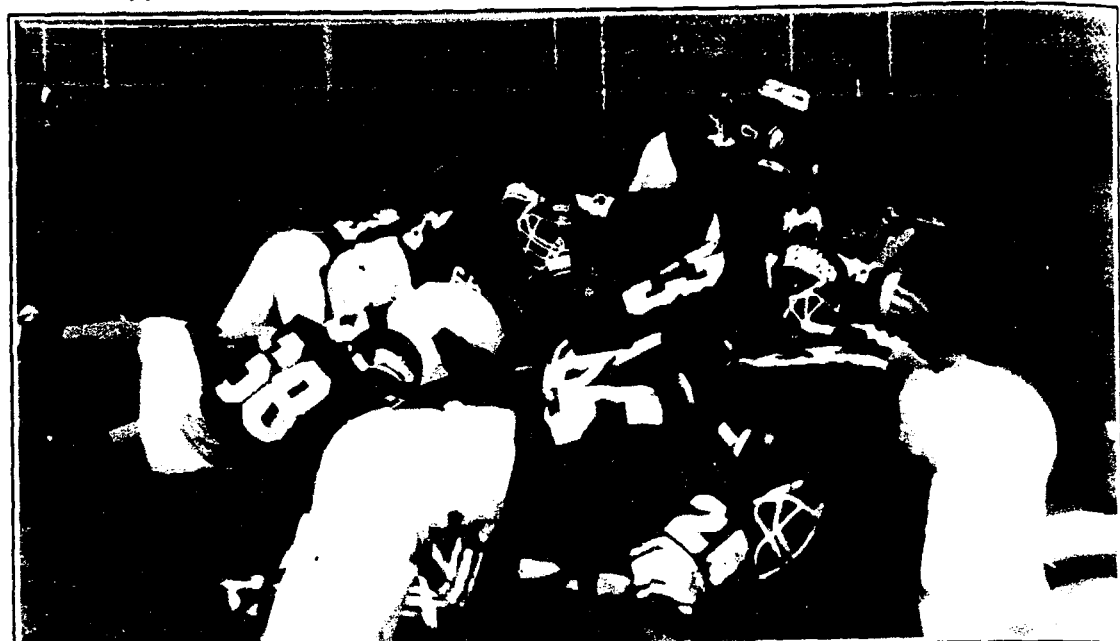
According to Patterson, the two favorites for the league title this year are probably West Branch and Bay City John Glenn.

Although there are a number of new teams on the schedule, the first game

will feature a familiar opponent. Roscommon and Grayling have started a rivalry, because a lot of the players and coaches know one another and respect one another.

"I am concerned with their size," Patterson said of Roscommon's team. "They are also well coached and they play hard."

The Vikings and Bucks will kick off the new season at Donald Ferguson Field at 7:30 p.m.



SMACKING PADS — The football players hit each others pads during the Green and White scrimmage. The Vikings will be hitting pads for real against another team against Roscommon.

Seniors lead golfers to early success

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

When any coach of any varsity sports team at any high school looks at his or her roster and sees the seniors' names, the coach usually expects these veteran athletes to lead the squad.

For Grayling High School Golf Coach Herb Olson that should be no problem.

Olson's two seniors who start on the five-man varsity boys' golf team are already in mid-season form, and the season is only about two weeks old.

Senior Jerry Roman and senior Rob Lawe have been very good in the first three varsity competitions. In fact, Roman and Lawe finished one-two overall in two golf meets last week.

They have both been very consistent in the early going. Roman has averaged about a 38 nine-hole score and Lawe, 41.5, Olson said. The coach will look for the two golfers to be the team leaders throughout the season.

The Grayling golf team got off to a good start in its new league, the North East Michigan Conference, by winning its first conference match. The Vikings defeated Ogemaw Heights, 177-189, at West Branch Country Club on Aug. 26.

Roman finished first overall with a round of 39. Lawe was second overall with a 41. The other three members of the Grayling varsity team also contributed to the team victory. Sophomore Matt Mitchell shot a 45, junior Mike Winters added a 52, and junior Travis Hulbert shot 58. In high

school golf contests the top four scores are used for the varsity team total.

Kevin Jansen, who has alternated on the varsity and junior varsity teams, shot a great round against Ogemaw Heights. Jansen finished with a nine-hole score of 44.

The top four scores for Grayling's varsity team on Aug. 25 in the Vikings' home opener finished with scores below 50. Grayling beat Fairview in the match, but fell to Roscommon.

The Vikings shot 175 as a team. Fairview finished with a score of 177 and Roscommon shot 169.

The Grayling varsity score was the result of Roman's 37, Lawe's 43, Hulbert's 47 and Mitchell's 48. JV player Rusty Strohpaul also shot a good round of 46 at Grayling Country Club.

The Grayling golfers got their season under way on Aug. 20 at the Boyne

Invitational on the Alpine Course at Boyne Highlands. There were 24 teams at the event.

The Vikings finished 11th with a score of 349. The 120 golfers at the competition each played 18 holes.

Roman finished seventh place in a medalist position. He shot a round of 78 on the par-72 course. Lawe (14th) shot 83 on his round.

Winters (91) and Jansen (97) rounded out the Viking scoring. Mitchell (100) also competed in the invitational.

"I like the trend of our team in the beginning," Olson said. "We are heading in the right direction. The Ogemaw Heights match was our best match so far, so we are getting better."

The next league match for the Vikings will be Tuesday, Sept. 9. Grayling will be on the road to take on Tawas.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

By Dana Anderson

Monday, Aug. 25, was our final night of golf. It was perfect weather, not too hot, not too cold (for a change). We played two-man scrambles and the following teams won: Diana Doremire-Denise Caverly; Jill Andersen-Sandy Jore; and JoAnn Phillips-Donna Plun.

We had special prizes on each hole, and they were won by: Val Wilson for

longest drive on number 1; the teams of Jo-Julie, Val-Balkis, and Andrea-Kathy for most puts on number 2; Janice Adams for closest, second shot, on number 3; Jodi Coors and Julie Hinds for closest to the pin, third shot, on number 4; Diana Doremire for closest to the pin, first shot, on number 5; Sue Longendyke for longest drive, in the fairway, on number 6; Sue Ritter for closest to the pin, first shot, on number 7; JoAnn Yoder for shortest drive on number 8; and Diane Isenhauer for longest putt on number 9.

A wonderful dinner was served by the club. It consisted of your choice of steak or chicken, baked potato, salad bar, rolls and cake.

Have a great winter and we'll see you next year!

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Wishes to thank everyone for a great summer at the

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Wednesday, September 10
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Wendy's
Viking
of the week

Jerry Roman

Rob Lawe

Boy's Golf

Viking seniors Jerry Roman and Rob Lawe were chosen Viking of the week for leading the Grayling golf team to a good start to the season. Roman averaged a nine-hole score of 38 for the week, and Lawe averaged 41.5.

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FACTS AND FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of Aug. 31-Sept. 6

ARIES

March 21-April 20

Start the week by clearing up some loose ends. An exciting opportunity presents itself. Don't allow hesitation to rob you of this unique chance. An old flame reappears with some exciting news. Plan ahead for an exciting vacation or outing.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

A tough project looms. You ought to reconsider the way you have your finances arranged. You might be paying more for something than you should. A new idea you have could be in need of some refinement before it performs up to expectations.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

A social outing offers plenty of humorous adventures. Don't let your serious side rob you of the chance for a good laugh. You're lucky in business this week, so don't waste your talents with busywork. Instead, focus on the things you can do that really make a difference.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

A misunderstanding could turn into a stalemate if you're not careful. Use your most diplomatic tone of voice when addressing a difficult person. Success is just around the corner if you stick to your plan. Settle an old score this weekend for a clean slate.

LEO

July 23-August 23

Your cool head and analytical mind will come in handy today, so don't let your temper prevail. Call upon an older person to provide insight regarding an important decision. This is a great time to start up a new project. Share your talents with people close to you.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Some new technology demands your attention early this week. Don't let your natural resistance prevent you from taking advantage of the opportunities available. This weekend, enjoy a group outing. Keep your agenda open, and you'll have even more fun.

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

A mate or sweetheart needs you to listen this week. Resist the temptation to give advice, though - it's probably not needed. Give your creativity free rein when it comes to solving a sticky problem. Your hard work begins to pay off this weekend.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

For the greatest success this week, try working within the system. Bending the rules just won't work right now. You're being watched closely, so be on your best behavior. A chore you've been avoiding will come back to the front burner, so be ready.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Focus on building security for yourself or a loved one. The most obvious path isn't necessarily the best one. Work on a self-improvement project later in the week. It's a good time to change your life for the better - the changes you make will be lasting ones.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

Get your budget in order before going shopping. You're likely to be tempted by all kinds of major purchases. Some may be worthwhile, but you might want a second opinion if there's a lot of money involved. Treat a sweetheart to something special.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

Although you may be feeling drained by lots of mental details and nagging responsibilities, a change is just around the corner. Keep an open mind when it comes to a difficult situation. You may not have the whole picture. Things might be better than you first thought.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

You're completely unbeatable this week, so make the most of it. Your luck is great, then it comes to love and finances. Don't just rely on chance, however - the more work you put into a situation, the more you're likely to get out of it.

For Entertainment Purposes Only



HOME NEEDED - - This male Springer spaniel is six-months old. He appears to be housebroken and has a nice temperament. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

PINA COLADA CHEESECAKE

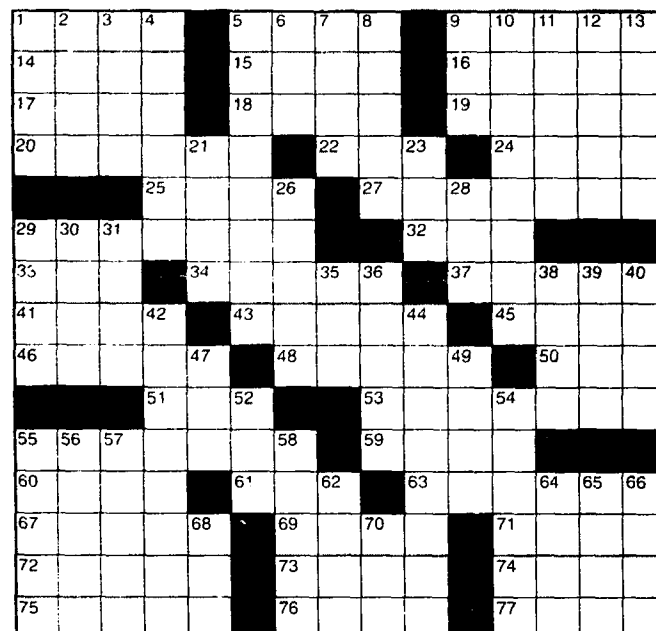
(makes 10 servings)

1 1/2 c. vanilla wafer crumbs
1 c. flaked coconut, toasted
1/3 c. margarine, melted
1 can (6 oz.) pineapple juice
1 envelope unflavored gelatin
24 oz. cream cheese, softened
3/4 c. plus 2 T. sugar, divided
1/4 c. dark Jamaican rum or 2t. rum extract
3/4 t. coconut or vanilla extract
2 c. frozen non-dairy whipped topping, thawed
1 can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple
1 T. cornstarch

Per serving: 587 cal., 40g fat, 82mg cholesterol, 367mg sodium, 51g carbohydrate, 7g protein

• Combine crumbs, coconut and margarine in medium bowl. Press mixture on bottom and sides of 8 or 9 inch springform pan. Chill.
• Pour juice into small saucepan. Sprinkle gelatin over juice; let stand 5 minutes to soften gelatin. Cook and stir until gelatin dissolves; remove from heat. Set aside.
• Beat cream cheese and 3/4 c. sugar in large bowl until smooth. Beat in gelatin mixture until well blended. Beat in rum and coconut extract until blended. Gently fold in whipped topping. Spoon into prepared crust. Chill 6 hours or until set.
• Combine undrained pineapple cornstarch and remaining 2 T. sugar in small sauce pan. Cook and stir until mixture boils and slightly thickens. Chill. Spoon over top of cheesecake. Garnish with additional toasted coconut, if desired.

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ACROSS

1. Grub
5. Indian chief at Little Bighorn
9. Fort Knox unit
14. Rachel's less-attractive sib
15. Place: Fr
16. Appreciate
17. ... de Esquivir
18. Somalia's gift to high fashion
19. Mrs. Peron
20. Models
22. Sports org.
24. 15th of March
25. Permits
27. Place for collectibles
29. Beach game
32. Theta's predecessor
33. Dory propeller
34. Rage
37. First U.S. ICBM
41. Racetrack
43. Healthy bar
45. Orphan who loved Rochester
46. Russian leader
48. Anon
50. Family ... room
51. Firearm
53. Pig out
55. Bootlegger's gin mill?
59. Snack
60. Thanks ...
61. Frosty air's quality

DOWN

1. Turn out the lights, at Roseanne's house
2. Indiana Jones, e.g.
3. Stable staple
4. Disks
5. Shines
6. Ready ... fire!
7. Emulate Michael Jordan
8. Forward thrust
9. ... Grown
10. Chart a course
11. Move on ice
12. Exterior
13. Back comb
21. Country's McEntire
23. Had breakfast
26. Actor George or sculptor George
28. Philippine native

29. Blockhead
30. Laud
31. Boxer Barkley
35. Guido's high note
36. Mouse: Sp.
38. Old harp
39. Section
40. Schismatic group
42. Cigar igniter
44. Consumed greedily
47. Enthusiast
49. Where's the ... of Me? (Reagan autobiography)
52. Convent denizen
54. Fashion designer Zandra
55. Breadwinner?
56. Insular
57. Rich dessert
58. Cheats
62. Window piece
64. Jacques's father
65. Poker declaration
66. ... No Mountain
68. Nautical "yes"
70. Part of a Bray

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23 Years Ago September 5, 1974

Guests of Miss Pam Williams last week were her cousins, Valerie and Vicki Harris of Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Weisman and Karen of Southfield have been recent visitors of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Nielson.

Jim Steere is spending a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Steere, before returning to Northern Michigan University at Marquette for his last semester. Jim was assistant technical director and designer for the summer repertory dinner theatre at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

Mrs. Duwain Hall was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Beverly Whipple in Detroit last week.

Claudia Henig is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. B.E. Henig for three weeks before assuming her new nursing duties in the intensive care unit at Harper Hospital, Detroit.

Sandy Millikin spent some time at home with her parents, the Floyd Millikins after spending five weeks in Hawaii. She returned to her teaching job at the middle school in Eaton Rapids.

Karen E. Schwarz, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. R. Schwarz of Grayling, graduated from Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City on Saturday, August 30, as a registered nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kinkert vacationed for two weeks with their trailer making the circuit of the U.P. They went sightseeing and visited friends in various places.

On Sunday afternoon, August 25, the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Paulsen, Sr., of Grayling, hosted a surprise outdoor buffet-reception in observance of their Golden wedding anniversary at the summer home of the Junior Paulsens at McIntyre's Landing.

Mother nature provided a beautiful day for the occasion at which 51 relatives and friends were gathered. The four young grandchildren sang in

harmony several beautiful songs. An American and Danish flag were important parts of the decorations which included two greatly enlarged photographs of the honored guests taken more than 50 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Reynolds and children back-packed for three days in the Porcupine Mountains. The Reynolds returned here leaving the two children with their grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. James Dehlin, in Gladstone.

46 Years Ago September 6, 1951

The class of 1941 of Frederic High School held an all day reunion at Ma Kellogg's at Lovells on Sunday. There was lots to eat and a great time had by all.

Michelson Memorial Church was the setting Saturday evening of the marriage of Miss Emily Janet Giegling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Giegling and Burton Drummond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton L. Drummond of Royal Oak. Baskets of white gladioli and cosmos decorated the chancel and church. Preceding the candle light service, organ music was presented by Mrs. C.G. Clippert and Miss Patricia Stephan sang "Because."

Bud Darveau, local service station owner was awarded the new 1951 Nash Rambler station wagon raffled off by the Grayling Golf Club at ceremonies at the club on Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson, Barbara, Lewis and Janet and Bill Kellogg attended the Clyde Beaty circus in Bay City.

Jack Alef spent the weekend in Detroit visiting his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Clough and son, Kerry, left Wednesday for a tour of the Upper Peninsula.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harwood spent a few days with relatives here returning to their home in Bay City on Friday. They also had Toni with them, their lovely new Cocker Spaniel.

Martha Stillwagon spent a week with her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Send are announcing the birth of a daughter on August 28th. Mrs. Send was Miss Della Annis. The happy grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Annis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Carlisle of Saginaw were guests at the Matthew Bidvia home, Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Speight and son, Tom, of Detroit spent the weekend at their cottage here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lovely and children returned home Friday after spending the week at Steuben in the U.P.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Brown of Mt. Clemens spent the weekend with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C.G. Clippert at Lake Margrethe.

Miss Eunice Schrieber has returned to Muskegon Heights to teach after spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schrieber.

69 Years Ago September 6, 1928

Carl Johnson and George Olson enjoyed a fishing trip in Canada last week.

Stanley Madsen left Tuesday for Sandusky, where he will study pharmacy for several months.

Peter E. Johnson, Sr., of Grand Rapids is visiting his daughter Mrs. George Sorenson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. P.F. Jorgenson have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Duvall and family of Monroe.

Miss Eunice Schrieber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schrieber Jr., has gone to South Manitou Island, where she expects to teach the coming year.

Due to efforts and interest of several citizens, Beaver Creek Township experienced a big reunion picnic at the Town Hall on Labor Day. It was the unanimous vote of all present to make the reunion an annual affair.

Harold Rasmussen, David Montour and Carl Nielsen and families spent Sunday and Labor Day with relatives at Standish.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Williams and family left yesterday for their home in

St. Louis, Missouri, after spending the summer months at their cottage at Lake Margrethe. Their son, Richard came a week ago to enjoy a short vacation and accompany them home.

William LaGrow returned Saturday from Lansing, where he had been visiting his sister, Mrs. Leo Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Creque, Jr., and daughter, Karen Marie, drove up from Flint and spent the weekend.

Mrs. Matilda Bishop who had been spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Foley at Luzerne, left Saturday for home.

92 Years Ago September 7, 1905

Miss L. Dorland came home Tuesday and has taken her place in Miss Williams millinery emporium.

John Failing and family of Beaver Creek are enjoying a visit from his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H.F. Gilbert of Albion.

L. Herrick, agent of the MCRR had the freight office arranged so it is more convenient for the clerical force as well as for the public.

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WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Precip
8/20	74	55	
8/21	80	53	
8/22	65	54	
8/23	68	46	
8/24	71	46	0.16
8/25	69	55	0.03
8/26	76	57	

Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service, Grayling: Wednesday, September 3, 1997: Partly cloudy with light rain. Thursday, September 4: Partly cloudy with light rain. Friday, September 5: Partly cloudy with light rain. Saturday, September 6: Partly cloudy with light rain. Sunday, September 7: Partly cloudy with light rain.

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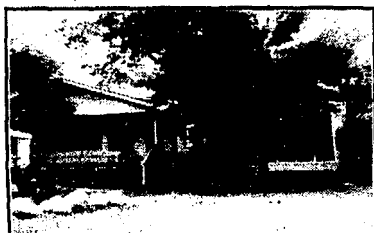
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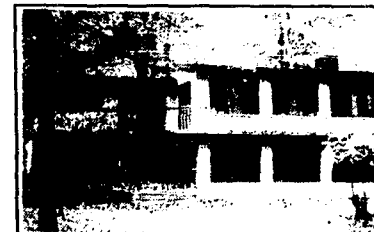


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QUIET, YOUNG, CONVENIENT NEIGHBORHOOD Three bedrooms, one bath, offers 1,080 sq. ft. walk-out patio door off dining room, large picture window and tree-standing fireplace in living room. Appliances include stove, refrigerator and dishwasher. Two-car attached garage. Conveniently located close to schools, town and recreational activities. Reduced, \$49,900. CD-521



AUSABLE RIVER SOUTH BRANCH Park-like setting with decking overlooking river and large front yard. 1,116 sq. ft., well-maintained cottage with bow window, 1 1/2-car garage, appliances and contents negotiable. NEW OFFERING, \$94,900. CH-633



TALKING HOUSE

180' AUSABLE RIVER FRONTAGE This beautiful home has approximately 180' of Ausable River frontage and 150' of road frontage, and is a 1 1/2-story with a walk-out basement. Interior has wainscoting, paneling and sheet rock, with Andersen and Acon windows. Kitchen has ceramic tile at entrance, with french doors. Reduced, \$225,000. CS-287

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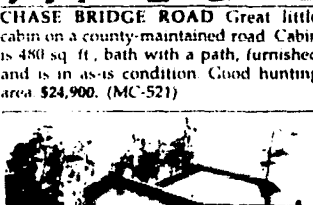
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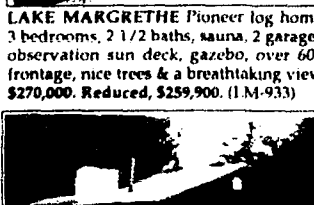
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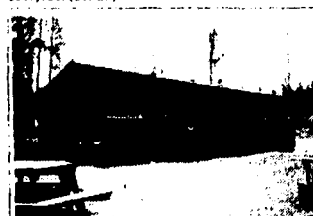
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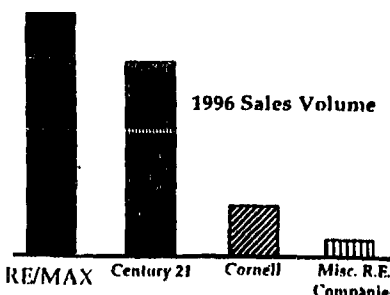
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FOR RENT: three bedroom home, one car garage, 9424 Old 27 South, \$425.00 monthly, plus security deposit. Contact Craig Hinkle at 348-7440. 7/24/97t/2

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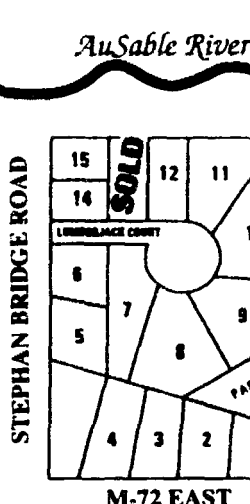
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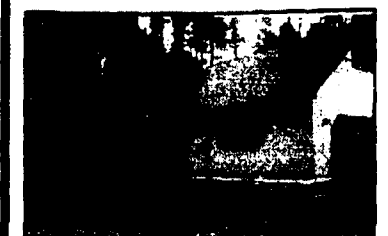
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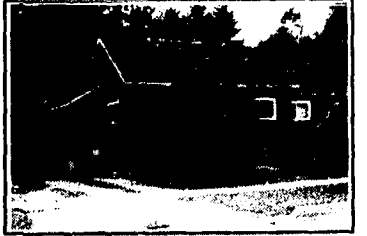
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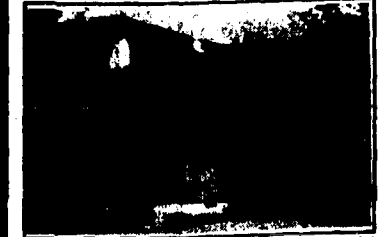
NEWLY-CONSTRUCTED THREE-BEDROOM HOME Features 1,440 sq. ft., two full baths, walk-in closet in master bedroom, natural hickory kitchen cabinets, hardwood floors in kitchen and dining room, maintenance-free vinyl siding, two-car garage, on 1.73 acres close to town. \$84,900. KM-529



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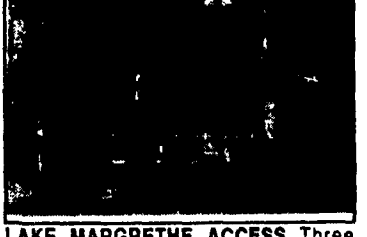
215' OF FRONTAGE ON THE AU SABLE RIVER Three-bedroom half-low west and north of Grayling on Wendy Lane. Covered porch 7x45 feet, great room 22x26 feet for living, dining and kitchen. Drywall is not finished, needs carpeting and kitchen cabinets. \$91,000. JG-626



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3. Employment

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WANTED: FULL-TIME LPN or CMA to work in our Grayling Primary Care Office. Call 517-422-2119 for an interview. -28-4/3

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The Crawford AuSable School District is accepting applications for substitutes for our full time paraprofessionals in all buildings. This would include teacher aides, library aides, special education aides and hall monitors. Applications may be obtained at the Administration Office at 403 Michigan Avenue. -4-11/3

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3. Employment

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10. Garage Sales
GARAGE SALE: FOUR FAMILY
Saturday 9 - 4. Furniture, kids clothes, toys, bike, Avon, extra large women's and men's clothes, records, tapes, snowmobile, 9 1/2 hp. motor, trolling motor, snowmobile sled, wedding gown, size five, rowing exerciser. Eight miles 72 West, turn rt. Goose Creek follow signs.
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GARAGE SALE: 705 OGEMAW 10 - ? Friday 5th and Saturday 6th. Toys, clothes (various sizes), furniture, microwave and many misc. items.
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10. Garage Sales

BIG YARD SALE: household goods, baby clothes, kitchen appliances, craft stuff. Saturday, September 6, 803 Vine Street.
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GARAGE SALE: Saturday, September 6th, 9 to 5. Gas dryer, chairs, twin mattress and springs, household items and some clothing. 400 Ingham St.
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150' on the West Branch of Big Creek
Three bedrooms plus a loft gives plenty of room for company in this quality two-bath home. Other points of interest are: snack bar, whirlpool, sauna, skylights, privacy and more. \$159,000. #4100

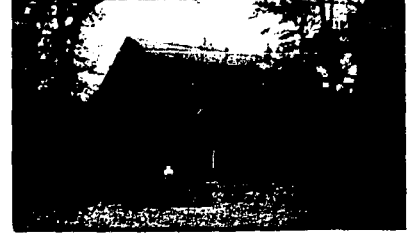


Five-bedroom Home In The City Of Grayling Plenty of room to roam in this large home with new drywall, full basement, covered porch, large closets and three bathrooms. Perfect for the growing family. \$69,900. #4018

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Residential Home, Prime Location with Acreage Beautiful three-bedroom home features bonus room over garage, two full baths and a 1/2 bath, finished basement, underground sprinklers, eight acres and so much more! \$155,000. #3853



Manistee River, Over 200 Feet Frontage Quality throughout plus an abundance of "Pride of Ownership" in this 1,700 sq. ft. home. Three bedrooms, two baths, hot tub, garage, workshop and extensive decking. \$159,500. #4045



Four-bedroom Home Located on 4.7 Acres Nice-size home with room to roam has a full basement, a 36x36 attached garage, deck, hot water baseboard heat, and much, much more. Located close to state land. \$69,900. #4119



Turn-of-the-Century Farm House Lovingly Restored Gleaming woodwork, window seats and hardwood floors. Two-car garage, pole barn, vintage barn, greenhouse, workshop, pond, windmill and more. Off the beaten path. 7.5 acres. \$149,900.



Close to Lake Margrethe! Large home in nice neighborhood with mature trees, full basement and beautiful landscaping, on 1.3 acres. \$70,000. #4145



Close to Town Location with Acreage & Simpson Creek 1,718 sq. ft. ranch is bright and in like-new condition with two full baths, large kitchen with two pantries, vaulted ceilings, satellite deck, 12 acres and much more. \$85,000. #4007



Lovells Hardware with Four-bedroom Home Run your own business, live in the above living quarters and enjoy living in northern Michigan. 1,800 sq. ft. store, 1,800 sq. ft. home, 40x42 garage on 2 1/2 acres. \$80,500. #4071



On the Banks of the Manistee River Fantastic view from this spacious 2,000 sq. ft. home with three bedrooms, den, two baths, hot tub, fireplace, living and family room. Offering extras and quality throughout. \$137,500. #4071



Affordable Up-North Get-A-Way Two-bedroom mobile home comes mostly furnished. Small log cabin has electricity, heater and hand pump well. Located on 1.8 acres, in "as-is" condition. \$15,000. #3911

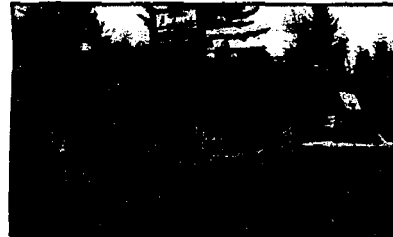
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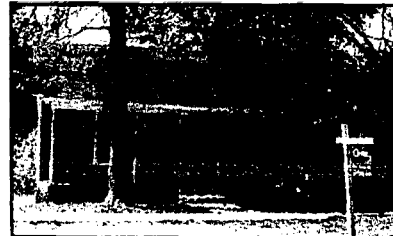
Seclusion and Acreage Three-bedroom, two-bath home on 2 1/2 acres. All bedrooms feature walk-in closets. Large kitchen, 24x32 garage wired 110 & 220, comes with air compressor. \$350,000. #4105



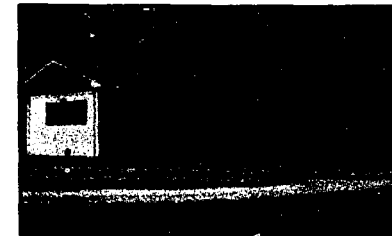
City Home Located Close to the Middle School Built in 1994 is this three-bedroom, two-bathroom home. Comes with all the appliances, a sliding glass door to back deck and a covered front porch. \$57,500. #4089



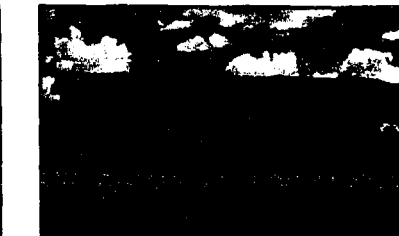
Residential or Recreational Newly vinyl sided three-bedroom home with new roof has hot water baseboard heat, a two-car garage and is located close to the Manistee River. Affordable at \$42,000. #4052



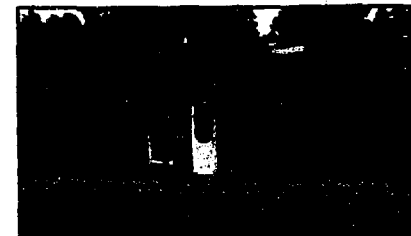
Nice Two-Bedroom Starter Home in the City of Grayling Featuring new fixtures and new carpet in the living room, kitchen and bedroom. Nice back yard, covered front porch, new screen door and attached workshop. \$29,900. #4097



Very Nice Property and mobile home with two additions featuring 11.7 acres, covered porch and two-car garage. \$59,900. #4154



Three-Bedroom, One-Bath Home with full basement, two-car garage and excellent location. Great starter home. \$58,400. #4143



Near Kneff Lake on Over an Acre of Land A darling home/cottage comes completely furnished and is as neat as could be. Includes appliances, TV and a two-car garage. \$40,000. #4161



Land Contract Terms Available on this riverfront home. Full-log home sets on 234 feet of frontage on the AuSable. Featuring 2,304 sq. ft., three bedrooms, three bathrooms, attached garage, skylights and covered porch. \$129,000. #4092



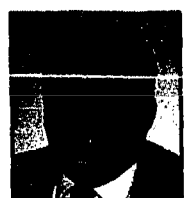
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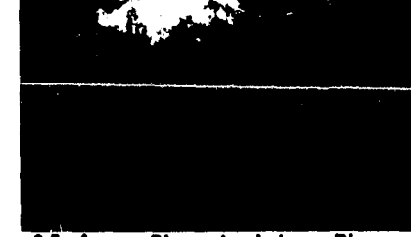
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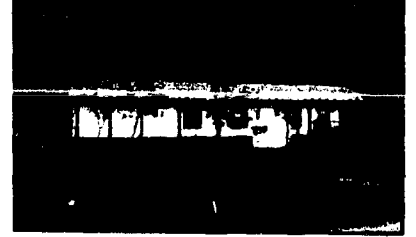
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Starter Home or Retirement Home Affordable, energy efficient and cute. This fine two-bedroom home comes with stove and refrigerator. Freshly-painted interior and new kitchen floor. \$38,900. #3536



2.5 Acres Close to Lakes, Rivers, Snowmobile Trails & State Land This 3-bedroom home would be fantastic for an up-north get-a-way or a year-around residence. About 7 miles from town on a nicely treed parcel of land. \$27,000. #4102



Acreage with State Land Across the Road Large three-bedroom mobile has snow roof, 1 1/2 baths, large garage and more. Comes with stove, refrigerator and furnishings. Ready to move into. Priced to sell at \$42,900. #3956



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